

UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Dallas, Texas**

FILE NO. **26-4114-7**

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| REPORT MADE AT: DALLAS, TEXAS | DATE WHEN MADE: 1-23-34 | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 1/3-24/34 | REPORT MADE BY: C. R. WINTERLAD. |
| TITLE: CLYDE CHAMPTON BARROW, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I. O. #1211; ET AL. | | | CHARACTER OF CASE: NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT. |

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Barrow and unknown confederate 1/16/34 assisted in Texas State Prison break. On 1/18/34 robbed filling station at Hugo, Oklahoma and abandoned stolen Ford V-8 Coupe, motor #513087. Reported to have passed through McKinney, Texas night of 1/24/34 going toward Dallas in 1934 Ford Coach. Bonnie Parker's brother resides at Gladewater, Texas. Latent prints on rear-view mirror from Ford Coupe abandoned at Gilmer, Texas, not Barrow's, Bonnie Parker's, nor Buster Parker's.

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REFERENCE:

Reports of Special Agent in Charge Blake, dated Dallas, Texas, 1/3/34 and of Special Agent D. W. Magee, dated New Orleans, 1/18/34.

DETAILS:

B. D. Monzingo, Superintendent of Eastham State Farm, Weldon, Texas, stated that on Tuesday morning, January 16, 1934, about 7:30 o'clock, two men slipped into the brush about three miles from Headquarters and concealed themselves; that in some brush piles where the gangs were clearing land and had been for about 15 days, three .45 calibre automatic pistols were concealed; that Joe Palma laid in barracks Monday afternoon claiming to be ill; that Palma was the first man to begin the shooting; that H. R. Bybee, and Henry Methvin, prisoners, also had .45 calibre automatic pistols and did some shooting. Palma is the one who shot Major Crowson, guard; that Raymond Hamilton did not have a pistol; that J. B. French, another prisoner who escaped, was not in the same squad with the other prisoners who escaped; that other prisoners have stated that Clyde Barrow was one of the outside men who were concealed in the brush, and after the prisoners themselves shot the guards, Clyde covered their retreat.

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from a machine gun, while his companion, a tall young man, shot a .45 automatic pistol; that Clyde Barrow is well-known to a number of prisoners on the Farm who were in the brush-clearing squads - as Barrow served a term on the Farm with some of them; that some of the prisoners have told him (Munnings) that the three automatic pistols were slipped into the Prison Monday and Joe Palmer fixed them up Monday afternoon; that the arrangements were made by Barrow for the purpose of releasing Hamilton, and that Hamilton invited any of them who cared to go out with him to come along, but for those who could not use a pistol to leave the pistols alone.

Captain Munnings further stated that Floyd Hamilton and his wife came to the Farm Sunday to visit Raymond Hamilton.

Assistant Captain Tom Small furnished Agent with a 16 gauge shot-gun shell, which he found in the road.

Hamilton left his white prison clothes in the brush, before going to the car.

J. B. McCafferty, guard, who saw the shooting, stated that prisoner Aubrey Scalley, Et. P. #62,000 - sentenced, Dallas Co. to 30 years for robbery - informed him that he saw Clyde Barrow and knows he was one of the men involved; that Scalley further stated that Clyde on four occasions has sent him word that anytime he wanted to escape, if he didn't care how it was done, he (Clyde) would come for him; that he can and will at any time "put Clyde on the spot".

A search was made for shells used in the shooting, but not a one was found, nor were any latent bullets found in trees in the vicinity.

The two guards were shot with pistols, and neither Mr. Munnings nor the guards had ever seen either a Browning automatic rifle nor a Thompson machine-gun.

One guard estimated that 100 shots were fired by the escaping prisoners and their two confederates. Apparently no shots were fired by the guards.

As the car used by the men upon leaving the Farm has been described by a negro at whom they shot just after starting off in the car and a white man neighbor, as a Ford V-8 Coupe painted black, and Monday 1-13-34 that car with a man and woman in it, followed by another V-8 Coupe with two men in it, were seen in the vicinity of the Farm - there must have been another car (besides the V-8 Coupe seen) concealed some distance from the scene of the escape and shooting.

Mr. Munnings is of the opinion that Floyd Hamilton was with Clyde Barrow because a tall young man, calling himself Floyd, and a woman visited Raymond Hamilton, Sunday, 1-14-34, at the Eastern Farm. The woman may have been Phillis Parker or Bonnie Parker.

Barrow knows the terrain at Eastham Farm and the surrounding country.

The matter of taking up with Mr. Lee Simmons, Superintendent of the Texas Prison System, as to the proposition of Aubrey Scalley, will be deferred temporarily as Mr. Simmons is away from Huntsville at this time, and it will be necessary to have Scalley taken to the Walls at Huntsville, away from Eastham Farm, to talk with him. However, he (Scalley) may be in a position to contact Barrow through some source, as he and Clyde beat Bob Crowder to death with an iron bar inside of the barracks at Eastham Farm.

Sid Crowder, one of the Crowder boys, still is alive. He probably could be located around Houston, Texas. He and his two brothers served Penitentiary sentences from either Harris or Ft. Bend County, Texas, some years ago for murdering 10 or 12 negroes one night. Sid is a tough individual, and this Agent talked with him in the County Jail at Longview, Texas, in 1930. He was picked up at that time by State Ranger, Red Burton, who now is Chief of Police at Tom Bell, Texas. It might be possible to secure some assistance from Crowder in locating Barrow.

While at Eastham Farm, Agent was informed by Superintendent Mannings that Sheriff Jim Hazlett of Crockett, phoned that he believed Barrow, Hamilton, and the other escaped prisoners were in hiding in the Trinity river-bottoms in Leon County around the home of one Davis, a reputed relative of Barrow's; that Hazlett had contacted the Rangers at Houston and they were going to form a posse and go into Leon County.

Raymond Hamilton is one of Clyde Barrow's former confederates. W. H. Dyke and Joe Palm, also were long-term prisoners, but had never associated with Barrow.

The Ford V-8 Coupe, abandoned near Hugo, Oklahoma, on January 18, 1934, which was used by Barrow and Hamilton when they robbed a filling station at that place, was stolen January 2, 1934, from R. J. Edwards, 916 Bell Avenue, Denton, Texas, and bears motor #618087.

The rear-view mirror taken from Ford V-8 Coupe, motor #40-308320, stolen at Baxter Springs, Kansas, and recovered January 2, 1934, at Gilmer, Texas, was forwarded to the Division. Latent prints developed not those of Clyde Barrow, Bonnie Barker or her brother Hubert (Buster) Barker. However, these prints may have been left on the mirror by the unknown confederate of Barrow's who was with him in Louisiana and Texas prior to the prison break, mistaken for Buster Barker.

Robert (Buster) Parker is living with his wife, Edith, and her mother and step-father, Mr. and Mrs. Rusty Cook, at Gladewater, Texas. Robert Parker was questioned and finger-printed at Gladewater. Both he and his wife claim that they realize Clyde is some day going to be killed and probably Bonnie Parker will be killed with him. Buster stated that if he ever has an opportunity to get Clyde and his sister separated, he will notify the Officers in order that they may take Clyde. Both he and his wife deny that Clyde and Bonnie know where they live, and have ever been to see them in Gladewater.

A report was received at the Dallas Police Department on the evening of January 24th, 1934, that Clyde Barrow, Bonnie Parker, Raymond Hamilton, and an unknown man stopped at a filling station in McKinney, Texas, in a 1934 Ford V-8 Coach, bearing Oklahoma license plates #134-S, and headed South toward Dallas. All roads leading into Dallas were covered by Police and Sheriff's squad cars at junctions with dirt roads.

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DALLAS OFFICE

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

January 22, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Building,
Dallas, Texas.

RE: CLYDE CHAMPION BARRON, with aliases,
et al, FUGITIVE,
I. O. 1211
NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT

Dear Sir:

With reference to your telegram dated January 17, 1934, wherein you request authority to expend a sum not exceeding \$250.00, to a confidential informant, conditioned upon the apprehension of subject Barrow, please be advised that I have requested this authority from the Department and you will be promptly notified in the event such authority is granted.

In the event authority is granted, arrangements should be made with your informant whereby information will be furnished to you or representatives of this Division, resulting in the location and apprehension of subject Barrow.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover
Director.

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THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

PALESTINE, TEXAS

January 26th, 1934

Mr. D. L. McCormack
Acting Spl. Agent in Charge
Bureau of Investigation
Dallas, Texas

Dear Mr. McCormack:

I give you the following information for
whatever value it may prove:-

I was informed last night that Clyde Barrow
had a relative by the name of Jeff "Wisby"--I am not sure
that Wisby is the proper name or not, but at any rate that
is what I understood it to be. This man Wisby lives about
five miles south of Maybank on the Gun Barrell Lane Road,
and near a party by the name of E. G. Craft. I understand
that this location is just about on the Henderson County
line out from Maybank.

My informant tells me that Barrow was at
the Wisby place during the fall and sold him a saddle, and
that on a number of occasions Barrow drops in at that location.

Yours very truly,

W. H. Crane

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Jan. 26/34

Memo:

Re: Clyde Barrow et al.
26/4115-6

Information furnished Fritz by one Allan that Clyde Barrow comes in and stops at Low Field Hotel, and that a raid would either produce Clyde or two of his machine guns.

Spent Barrow's Operator Low Field Hotel - He is a boat logger in Del Norte. Bob Jones knows him. We checked the Hotel - Clyde was not there - We searched one room -

Barrow's stated he does not know Clyde and Bonnie, but believes they stopped there one night before leaving Magnolia in September - He knows L. C. Barrow. Promised to notify Jones if Clyde comes in again & -

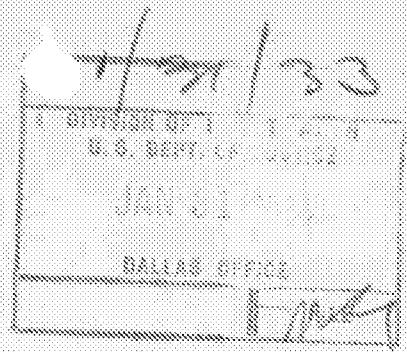
Edgar Hamilton and wife, joining LaVonte and Mrs. Lucine Barrow about 4 p.m. were noticed driving N. on Maple Ave. toward N.W. Highway - They were stopped. Had two suit boxes (Sunder boxes) and two shoe boxes in trunk in rear of Edgar's Ford Coupe &
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Stated they were enroute to Groin &

Jan. 27/51

Am going with Lt. Fritz to a place
this p.m. where Barrett comes on irregular
occasions.



memo for the file
Re Clyde Barrow et al.

Bert W. Whisenand, former deputy Sheriff Deuss County and Ranger Sergeant address 423 Bardova St., Dallas, Texas Telephone No 80380 informed the writer that shortly after Raymond Hamilton escaped from Oklahoma Prison farm Texas, Raymond Hamilton, Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker visited 2301 Warren Avenue, Dallas, Texas - where Bonnie's home resides. Whisenand states the three came late at night and remained at the home until day break when they left. That Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker are known to frequently visit this address. Whisenand is endeavoring to make some kind of a contact that will lead to trapping Clyde Barrow Raymond Hamilton & Bonnie Parker when they again visit 2301 Warren Ave Dallas. He promises to cooperate 100% with the Dallas Sw. Office

P.S. Whisenand telephoned to wire Egan and call at the office about 2:30 pm today. Egan agreed
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which are hereby agreed to

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DALLAS TEXAS FEBRUARY 1 1934

DIRECTOR
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
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CLYDE CHAMPION BARROW FUGITIVE ETAL NAVYA MAIL TWO SETS FINGERPRINTS BONNIE PARKER

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420 Federal Building,
Dallas, Texas.

February 2, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
326 Federal Building,
New Orleans, La.

Re: CLYDE CHAMPION BARROW, with
aliases - FUGITIVE; et al.
Nat'l. Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

Dear Sir:

It is believed that during December 1933 Clyde Barrow received medical treatment from Dr. R. Walker at Cheneyville, La., for a gun shot wound in his left leg.

On December 17, 1933 at Vernon, Texas, Clyde Barrow, Bonnie Parker and Raymond Hamilton stole 1933 Dodge Sedan, motor D287349, serial 3460032, 1933 License F-05945, property of D. R. Key, Vernon, Texas.

On the evening of the 18th of January, the Barrow Gang robbed a filling station at Hugo, Oklahoma and abandoned the Ford Coupe which they had previously stolen at Denton, Texas. There is a rumor prevalent that on Friday, January 26, Bonnie Parker, Clyde Barrow and Raymond Hamilton were in Collin County, Texas in the woods and were still in the Dodge Sedan.

For the information of the New Orleans Office, approximately \$500.00 was obtained by Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker on December 21 through the robbery of a Mr. Frank A. Ward, Supervisor of the A & P Stores, Shreveport, La. This information should be treated confidentially as it is probable it emanated from Sheriff Smoot Schmid's confidential informant, and if it became known to the extent that the Barrow family

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learned that it was shown to the officers they would know exactly from whence it came.

Since dictation of the above letter, Deputy Sheriff Bill Becker of Dallas, advised that the above mentioned Dodge Sedan was recovered abandoned in Poteau, Oklahoma.

Very truly yours,

D. L. McCONHACK, Acting
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc-Division

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Dallas, Texas,
Feb. 2, 1934 .

MEMORANDUM

Re: CLYDE BARROW, et al,
Natl. Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

Ed Castor, Deputy Sheriff, Dallas County, called at the Dallas Division Office on February 1, 1934 and stated to Agents Dowd and Winstead that his information regarding Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker and another man whom he thought to be Buster Parker, but now knows is some other person, having been in Louisiana about Christmas time 1933 hiding out around Hell Cheney Springs, was evidently erroneous; however, they were in Louisiana, he has since learned, and robbed an A & P Store Manager on the outskirts of Shreveport, Louisiana on the Houmafield Highway, and obtained \$500.00; that a doctor by the name of R. Walker at Cheneyville, Louisiana, treated Clyde Barrow for bullet wound in his left leg. Mr. Castor stated that he could not disclose the identity of his information. He did state, however, that from now on all information obtained by them which might lead to the apprehension of Barrow, would be immediately relayed to the Dallas Division Office and that they intended cooperating fully from now on with all law enforcement agencies in this district.

Sam D. Jones, former associate of Clyde Barrow who is still in the County Jail at Dallas, was contacted, and inasmuch as Agent Winstead had been informed that the informant for the Sheriff's Office had accompanied Deputy Castor and Deputy Bob Alcorn to Houston pointed Jones out to them, Jones was questioned as to who accompanied these officers at the time of his arrest in Houston, and he stated that Mr. Alcorn and Mr. Castor with three of the Houston Officers; and that they brought back to Dallas with them a man to whom he was handcuffed whom he believes to be a "junkie" and wanted for car theft, and that the officers called this man "Love". Jones stated that the only Jimmy he knows is one Jimmy Axtel, a boy about 20 years of age who resides in West Dallas, and the last he knew of him he was hauling gravel for old man Glen.

Accompanying Clyde Barrow to the Eastern Prison Farm break, was a tall, slender young man. Jones could not describe Love, but stated he was an old fellow and heavy-set.

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On Friday, January 25, 1934, Agent Winstead in company with City Detective Bob Jones and Jack Archer, passed Floyd Hamilton, (Raymond Hamilton's brother) on Maple Avenue in a Ford Coupe traveling toward the Northwest Highway. Hamilton was stopped and in the car with him were his wife, a man about 45 years of age, with a sallow complexion, rather slender, who gave the name of Jimmy Lavanti (the spelling phonetic), and Mrs. Carrie Barrow, (Clyde Barrow's mother). In the trunk on the rear of the Ford Coupe were two suit boxes and two shoe boxes. On being asked what these boxes contained Floyd Hamilton stated they contained clothing. It is thought that Lavanti is not the informant cooperating with the Sheriff; however, it is the belief of these Agents that the Sheriff's informant is a tall, slender young man who accompanied Clyde Barrow during the Eastham Prison Farm break, and is also the young man who was with Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker on January 2, 1934 when they abandoned the Ford Coupe near Gilmer, Texas, and most likely the latent fingerprints on the rear view mirror furnished the Division for comparison, are fingerprints of this un-named informant.

It is Mr. Caster's opinion, the basis of which he did not disclose, that Clyde Barrow, Raymond Hamilton and Bonnie Parker are traveling together in a new 1933 Dodge Sedan, motor DB07549, serial 3660032, 1933 license F-08965, stolen at Vernon, Texas, at 7: PM, Wednesday, January 17, 1934, from O. R. Key, Vernon, Texas. In this car at the time it was stolen was a brief case with the initials GSK, stamped thereon.

Mr. Caster further stated that he would, within the next day or two, as soon as he could locate his informant - a Mr. Burnheimer - who gave him the information that Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker had been hiding near Bell Chancy Springs, La., he would bring him to this office for further interview in order that the exact location might be ascertained and furnished to the New Orleans Office.

C. B. WINSTEAD,
Special Agent.

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION US DEPT OF JUSTICE

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
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[Signature]

420 Post Office Building,
Dallas, Texas.

February 3, 1934.

Director,
Division of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D.C.

RE: Clyde Champion Barrow,
w.s. - FUGITIVE, I.O. #1211;
et al. REWPA

Dear Sir:-

It is believed that the Division should issue an Identification Order on Bonnie Parker, companion of Clyde Barrow; and there is transmitted herewith the necessary information:

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| Name | Bonnie Parker, alias Mrs. Roy Thornton, " Mrs. Clyde Barrow, " Bonnie Barrow. |
| Age | 23 yrs. (10/1/33) |
| Height | 5 ft. 5 in. |
| Weight | 100 lbs. |
| Build | Slender |
| Eyes | Blue |
| Hair | Auburn; bobbed; originally blonde. |
| Complexion | Fair |
| Nativity | Texas |
| Residence | Dallas, Texas |
| Marital status | Wife of Roy Thornton, now in the Texas State Penitentiary. |
| Scars | Bullet wound in left foot next to little toe. Burn scar on right leg from hip to knee. <i>Bullet wound left knee</i> |
| <i>Presently with wife</i> <i>in custody</i> Criminal record | Arr. 6/16/32 at Kaufman, Texas; suspect, burglary; held in jail 3 months; released - lack of evidence. |
| Relatives | Mrs. J.T. (Bama) Parker - mother, Dallas, Texas. Mrs. Billie Parker Haze - sister, Dallas, Texas. Hubert (Buster) Parker - brother, Gladewater, Texas. |

No fingerprints are known to have been taken of Bonnie Parker, and no specimens of handwriting are available.

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Division.

On 6/20/33 complaint was filed before the U.S. Commissioner at Dallas, Texas charging Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker on or about 9/16/32 transported in interstate commerce from Dallas, Texas to a point at or near Pawhuska, Oklahoma, a Ford coupe automobile - knowing it to have been stolen.

It is suggested that the photograph placed on this Identification Order be one of both Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker, inasmuch as they are constantly together and engaged in the same criminal enterprises. There are transmitted herewith 3 enlarged photographs:

- No. 1 Clyde and Bonnie together.
- No. 2 Bonnie alone.
- No. 3 Clyde alone.

The Division is requested to determine which picture should be used on this I.O., and to consider the suggestion of the picture of both thereon.

It is further requested that 12 copies each of these 3 photographs be prepared and transmitted to the Dallas Division office.

It is desired that this matter be handled as expeditiously as possible.

Very truly yours,

D.L. McCormack, Acting
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc 26-4114- 12

430 Post Office Building,
Dallas, Texas.

February 3, 1934.

Director,
Division of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D.C.

RE: Clyde Champion Barrow,
w.a. - FUGITIVE, I.O. #1211.
et al. NCVTA

Dear Sir:-

With reference to telegram from this office 2/1/34 requesting copies of fingerprints of BONNIE PARKER be forwarded, and to telegram from the Division on 2/2/34 advising that Bonnie Parker, Division #80946, is a colored man:

Please be advised that the information concerning that number was taken from Division letter of 1/18/34, which advised that photographs of latent prints appearing on the rear-view mirror submitted by the Dallas office had been compared with those of Bonnie Parker #80946. It has never been our information that the Division had fingerprints of Bonnie Parker, however we recently learned that she was fingerprinted in 1932 by the Sheriff at Kaufman, Texas; and on receipt of Division letter referred to it was procured a copy of these fingerprints was in possession of the Division.

Investigation at Kaufman reveals that Bonnie Parker was probably not fingerprinted at the time of her arrest. At any rate, no record can be found of it at Kaufman. Former Deputy Sheriff Hansen at Kaufman insists that he recalls fingerprinting Bonnie Parker himself and forwarding the prints to the Division. The date of this occurrence was probably 6/16/32.

It is requested that the Division cause a search to be made for such a print under the name of MRS. ROY THORNTON as well as Bonnie Parker. It is doubtful however, that the search will meet with success. In this connection, it is desired to note at this time that information previously furnished this office and to the Division that Bonnie Parker's husband is one Roy Harding is incorrect; her husband is Roy Thornton - a pal of Roy Harding; and the 2 are now serving time in the Texas State Penitentiary.

Very truly yours,

D.L. McCormack, Acting
Special Agent in Charge.

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FORT WORTH AND DENVER CITY RAILWAY COMPANY
THE WICHITA VALLEY RAILWAY COMPANYWichita Falls, Texas,
January 20, 1934.Mr. F.J.Blake,
Dept. Justice,
Federal Bldg.,
Dallas, Texas.

Dear Sir:-

I was talking to a man by the name of J.R.James, who lives here in Wichita Falls. He stated to me that he was in Dallas the night of January 22, 1934 and met a girl whose first name is Mildred and they call her Millie. She told James that she worked in a cafe in Dallas. He described her as being about five feet seven inches tall, hair brown, light complexion. He said that they were in some place in Oak Cliff having some drinks and the subject came up about Pretty Boy Floyd and then drifted on to Clyde Barrow. She stated that she could take him to Clyde Barrow that night. He told her that he would like to see him.

He said they got in his car and drove about five or six miles out on a road that she called County Road, said they drove into a filling station on the right hand corner and this girl Mildred introduced him to Mrs. Barrow and Marie Barrow, who he was informed was Clyde's sister. He said they sit in there and talked for a while and Clyde came in. Didn't have anything to say, sit in there for a short time and then went back into a back room.

I have shown him the pictures that I have and he says that it is the man that he saw there. He does not think that it was at Clyde Barrow's mother's house.

Mr. James is a young fellow, and told me that he would try to secure the address or telephone number of above mentioned girl Mildred.

Any information that I get I will let you know immediately.

Yours truly,

Special Agent

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| U. S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE |
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| DALLAS OFFICE |

FORT WORTH AND DENVER CITY RAILWAY COMPANY
THE WICHITA VALLEY RAILWAY COMPANY

P.S. Mr. J.R. James, mentioned in letter, just called me on phone and gave me the girl's right name and her address where she stays, which is as follows: Mildred Cummings, lives at 1917 McKinney. He said she told him to look in the telephone book for J.W. or T.W. Conn, that she would be at that telephone address, which is supposed to be 1917 McKinney. He was not sure but thought the cafe where she worked was called the Dixie Cafe.

Mr. James thinks that he could go to the filling station that they were at that night.

J.W. Conn
23904

420 Federal Building,
Dallas, Texas.

February 3, 1934.

Mr. W. E. Wyatt,
Special Agent,
Ft. Worth & Denver City Railway Co.,
Wichita Falls, Texas.

Dear Mr. Wyatt:

This will acknowledge receipt of
your letter of January 29, 1934, with information con-
cerning Clyde Barrow as given to you by J. R. James.

The information is receiving atten-
tion here in Dallas, and I am instructing the next
Special Agent who is in Wichita Falls, to confer with
you regarding this matter.

Very truly yours,

D. L. MCCORMACK, Acting
Special Agent in Charge.

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UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **DALLAS**

FILE NO. **26-4397**

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| REPORT MADE AT: Kansas City, Mo. | DATE WHEN MADE: 4-12-34 | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 4-6 to 11-34 | REPORT MADE BY: B. R. ALLEN OS |
| TITLE: CLYDE CHAMPTON BARROW, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. #1211 - ET AL | | | CHARACTER OF CASE: NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT |

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Subjects killed Cal Campbell and wounded Percy Boyd at Commerce, Oklahoma. Efforts to locate Subjects in vicinity of Coffeyville, Kansas, proved futile. Numerous leads followed looking to apprehension of Subjects without avail. Car used in escape recovered at Centropolis, Kansas, value \$500.00. Latent fingerprints submitted to Division Laboratory for comparison.

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DETAILS:

On April 6, 1934, a long distance telephone call was received from Special Agent in Charge F. J. Blake, Dallas, Texas, advising that the Subject had shot and killed Cal Campbell, Constable of Miami, Oklahoma, and had wounded Percy Boyd, Chief of Police, Commerce, Oklahoma, who was also held hostage by Subjects. The shooting occurred at Commerce, Oklahoma, about 9:30 A.M. on April 6, 1934.

On the afternoon of April 6, 1934, Special Agent in Charge E. E. Conroy, accompanied by Special Agent H. C. Reed and the writer, proceeded by airplane to Coffeyville, Kansas, for the purpose of assisting officers in that vicinity in locating and apprehending Subjects. At Coffeyville, Kansas, Sheriff Dee Watters, of Miami, Oklahoma, informed that Subjects had proceeded from Commerce, Oklahoma, West, and had been followed over various country roads but that the trail had been lost. Subsequently the information had been broadcast over Station KGGF, a commercial broadcasting station at Coffeyville, Kansas, that the Barrows were at large in a Ford V-8 Sedan, 1934 model. During the evening of April 6, 1934, word was received by telephone at Coffeyville that Subjects had stopped at Mound Valley, Kansas and purchased some gasoline.

Special Agent H. C. Reed proceeded to Mound Valley in company

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with officers of the Coffeyville Police Department and interviewed Mr. Archie Shomber, proprietor of a filling station at Mound Valley, and his father, J. M. Shomber. Both Archie Shomber and J. M. Shomber stated that about 11 A.M. on April 6, 1934, a Ford V-8 Sedan, very muddy, drove past from the West and then whirled around and entered the filling station, the driver purchasing ten gallons of gasoline. They stated that the windows apparently had been smeared with mud by hand and the car was in a very muddy condition; that only the driver of the car got out, the man being described as very short and slender, about 20 years of age, wearing a gray hat, brown coat, blue pants and dark shirt. He seemed to be in a hurry and said "Fill 'er up" two times, very impatiently. After the gasoline tank was filled the car turned around and started West again. The license number of the car was noted by Archie Shomber, the number being 231 A 047, the State not being ascertained. The photograph of Subject Clyde Barrow was displayed to Archie Shomber and his father, and both stated that Barrow was too tall and did not resemble the driver of the car.

About 11:30 P.M. arrangements were made by the Sheriff and Police Department at Coffeyville, Kansas, to have the National Guard stationed at vantage points to block the highways around Coffeyville. About midnight arrangements were made to conduct a raid at the farm of Ab Clark, an uncle of Jim Clark, who escaped from the Lansing Penitentiary May 30, 1933, it having been ascertained that the route taken by Subjects in their flight from Commerce being past the home of Ab Clark. Special Agent in Charge Conroy, Special Agent R. G. Reed and the writer, of the Kansas City Division Office, and Special Agent E. E. Hollis, of the Oklahoma City Division Office, in company with five carloads of well armed officers, proceeded to the farm of Ab Clark, which was raided without result.

Sheriff Dee Watters, during the search of the various dirt roads south of Bartlett, Kansas, found some scraps of paper which had apparently been thrown from the fleeing car. These pieces of paper were matched and pasted together, apparently having been written by a woman concerning the activities of the "B--- Gang". This note was taken by Special Agent Hollis to be forwarded to the Division Laboratory for a handwriting analysis. Numerous reports that Subjects were in the vicinity were without foundation. Special Agent Reed, accompanied by the Coffeyville police, made a thorough search of tourist cabins in and around Coffeyville without result.

Percy Boyd, who was held hostage by Subjects, was released about eight miles from Ft. Scott, Kansas, about 12:30 A.M. on the morning of April 7, 1934, after which no word was heard of Subjects until Sunday morning, April 8, 1934, at which time the Ford Sedan used by Subjects was found abandoned near Centropolis, Kansas, on the farm of W. B. Smith. Information was broadcast over the various commercial and short-wave police radies throughout the territory covered by the Kansas City Office advising that Subjects had shot and

killed Cal Campbell, and requesting that any persons seeing Subjects or the car to communicate with the Kansas City Division Office.

Sheriff William Wantland, at Ottawa, Kansas, advised of the finding of the Ford Sedan abandoned on the Smith Farm; also advising that a necktie covered with blood and a .45 caliber cartridge case, together with a flashlight and a woman's belt had been found in the car. A description of the necktie worn by Percy Boyd was obtained from the Oklahoma City Office and was ascertained to be identical with that found in the car.

On April 8, 1934, Sheriff T. R. Hughes, Shreveport, Louisiana, advised Sheriff Wantland, at Ottawa, Kansas, that Ford Coach, motor number 18-535408, was stolen at Shreveport on March 31, 1934.

The New Orleans Office on April 9, 1934 advised the Kansas City Office by telegraph that Louisiana license 1934, number 239-273, was issued to the Louisiana Long Leaf Lumber Company for a Ford V-8 two door Coach, motor number 40-535408, and that the instant car was the property of T. A. Bloomer, Shreveport, Louisiana. Value of car \$500.00.

On April 8, 1934, Special Agent R. H. Simons, accompanied by the writer, examined instant car at Ottawa, Kansas, and found same to be a 1934 Ford Coach, Motor Number 535408, color of body black with cream body stripe; five cream wire wheels; five U. S. Royal Cord Tires; speedometer mileage 2438; tan upholstery; left front window cracked; one bullet hole in right side of windshield being located six inches from the bottom of the windshield and twelve inches from the right side, and one bullet hole in the right side of the windshield eight inches from the right side and one and one-half inches from the bottom. This automobile was examined for latent fingerprints and two latent prints were photographed and lifted. Prints were also found on the rear vision mirror, which is being sent, together with the latent prints and photographs, to the Division Laboratory. Found in the car was one .45 caliber automatic bullet, one fresh loaf of Jordan's sliced bread, one package of Bull Durham Tobacco partly used, one Shreveport, Louisiana Journal dated April 2, 1934, one Fort Worth Star Telegram dated March 31, 1934 with headlines "Barrow in Texas Holdup", one woman's black turban hat, one pair pink stepins, one woman's red cloth belt, one broken belt buckle, two price tags, no identification, two pairs men's socks, one flash light (official boyescout flashlight with belt hook), two extra batteries, one pair tortoise shell goggles, brown lens, right lens missing; one blood soaked necktie, blue and white checked. Also found in the car was a head of cabbage and several partly chewed carrots, also evidences of a rabbit having been carried in the car.

The radio broadcasts sent out over the various stations requested information concerning the theft of any cars in the Kansas City Division territory. On Sunday, April 8, 1934, Sheriff Dean Rogers, at Topeka, Kansas,

advised that C. W. Page, employed by the Gutting Motor Company, Topeka, Kansas, had reported the theft of a 1934 Pontiac two door Coach, motor number 990288, 44 the car having been stolen between 6:30 and 7:30 P.M. on Saturday night, April 7, 1934, while parked in front of 408 Douhitt Street, Topeka, Kansas. This car is described as being black with black wire wheels, having an extra wheel on the back with a plain black metal cover; a road light under the cowl inside the car under the steering wheel, spotlight type, chromium plated, 4 inches in diameter, five inches thick. The car when stolen carried 1934 Kansas license plates 3-4445. The speedometer showed 4250 miles.

Mr. Wint Smith, head of the Kansas State Highway Commission, advised the Kansas City Office that examination had been made of the ground where the car was abandoned and that prints of only one car were found, together with the footprints of one man, but that near the scene there were footprints of a man and woman. Mr. Smith advised that the woods in the vicinity would be searched for a trace of Subjects. Mr. Smith later advised that tire prints had been found and plaster casts were being made in order that it might be ascertained whether they were prints of the tire on the Pontiac Coach which was stolen.

On Sunday, April 8, 1934, Special Agent in Charge F. J. Blake, Dallas, Texas, advised by telephone that the Ford Coach recovered at Centropolis, Kansas, had been stolen at Shreveport, Louisiana on April 2, 1934, and had license plates Louisiana 239-273.

With reference to the route taken by Subjects after the abandonment of the Ford Coach, word was received by telephone from Special Agent C.C. Dewey, Des Moines, Iowa, that the Chief of Police at Des Moines had received a telephone call from Colonel Casteel, Superintendent of the Missouri State Highway Patrol, advising that Col. Casteel had received information that about 4:30 P.M. Saturday, April 7, 1934, Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker and a male associate had been seen on Highway 47 just East of Grant City, Missouri, headed toward Allendale, Missouri; further stating that a 16 year old girl had given a description fitting Clyde Barrow and one fitting Bonnie Parker. Col. Casteel further stated that the Barrow party had stopped at the Filling Station of G. F. McKelroy about 12 miles from Lamoni, Iowa, purchasing gasoline about midnight Saturday night. Special Agent Dewey was instructed to cover the leads in that vicinity.

A report was received from the Missouri State Highway Patrol that car bearing license tag C-13-052 was seen near Bolivar, Missouri, on April 9, 1934, the State not being ascertained. Telegrams were sent to the New Orleans Division Office and to the Portland Division Office requesting information concerning the identity and whereabouts of owners of those license tags. Both New Orleans and Portland advised no such license plates had been issued by the respective states.

On April 9, 1934, Special Agent in Charge F. J. Blake, Dallas, Texas, advised by telephone that Mrs. Nina Dalton, reported to be the sister of Melvin (Duck) Barrow's wife, left Dennison, Texas, at noon, presumably bound for Windsor, Missouri. Inasmuch as Marvin Barrow's wife is now incarcerated in the Women's Penitentiary at Jefferson City, Missouri, and there was a possibility that Miss Dalton might be going to that point in an effort to deliver Mrs. Barrow, Mrs. Dalton was shadowed by Special Agent E. E. Hollis, of the Oklahoma City Office.

At 8:30 P.M. the night of April 10, 1934, Special Agent Trainor and the writer met Special Agent E. E. Hollis, at Ft. Scott, Kansas, at which time Special Agent Trainor continued the shadowing of Mrs. Dalton. Mrs. Dalton left the train at Windsor, Missouri, and Special Agent Trainor was met by Captain L. E. Kalick, Sgt. G. L. Viole and Patrolman C. R. Oliver, of the Missouri State Highway Patrol, and Deputy Sheriff Dalton Davis, of Clinton, Missouri. Mrs. Nina Dalton was seen to enter a 1931 Chevrolet Sedan bearing 1934 Missouri License 203-781 and a city tag number 255, the name of the city not shown. It was ascertained that this Chevrolet Car was the property of Joe Gill, of Windsor, Missouri. Due to the fact that the information that Mrs. Dalton was proceeding from Texas to Windsor, Missouri, had become generally known, the information having come from the Joplin, Missouri office of the State Highway Patrol, Special Agent Trainor deemed it advisable to make direct inquiry.

Joe Gill was interviewed at his home and stated that Mrs. Nina Dalton is his sister.

Mrs. Nina Dalton was interviewed and stated that she works as a Beauty Parlor operator for W. J. Winkler, Dennison, Texas. She stated that she is not acquainted with the Barrow boys, but stated that the wife of W. J. Winkler is a sister of Clyde Barrow, and that this sister is not now at Dennison, Texas, but is with the Barrow family in Dallas, Texas; that she does not know the present street address but that Mrs. Winkler can be reached through another sister who operates the Sanger Hotel Beauty Shop at Dallas. Mrs. Dalton further stated that she also knows Mrs. Blanche Barrow, widow of Melvin Barrow, but knows her only slightly, professing not to know the present whereabouts of Blanche Barrow. Mrs. Dalton stated that she left Dennison, Texas, to visit her brother at Windsor, Missouri, having planned the trip for sometime. When questioned concerning any accident that had befallen any of the Barrow family lately, she wondered whether there could be any connection with that question and the fact she had written a postal card to Mrs. W. J. Winkler on the morning of April 9th stating that some of her (Mrs. Dalton's) relatives in Missouri had met with an auto accident. Mrs. Dalton stated that some of the family of Henry Hall, of Campbell, Missouri, had been injured in an auto accident about a week ago and are now confined in some hospital at

Cape Girardeau, Missouri. Mrs. Dalton stated she does not intend to stay more than one week at the Gill home, but advised her visit may be lengthened. The St. Louis Office was requested by telegram to check the automobile accident to the family of Henry Hall, Campbell, Missouri, and to verify and determine the possibility of the persons in the hospital being identical with the Barrows.

On April 10, 1934 Deputy Sheriff Dalton Davis, of Clinton, Missouri, called by telephone and advised that Night Marshal Walter Petty, Windsor, Missouri, had just called and advised that Frank Nichols, a filling station operator at Windsor, had advised that a blue body four door sedan, bearing 1934 Arkansas license plates, the last three numerals of which were 881, bearing two men and one woman came into his station and that Nichols had identified one man positively as Clyde Barrow. Special Agent Trainor called Walter Petty by telephone, who advised that the information given by Nichols was that on April 9, 1934, he saw two men and one woman in a car about ten miles south of Windsor and believed one of the men to be Clyde Barrow. Petty stated that Nichols is an oil tank wagon driver and saw the persons and car at a country store.

Reference is made to Division telegram dated April 7, 1934, requesting that Luther Austin Smith, Leavenworth Penitentiary Number 39602, be interviewed for all information concerning Subject. Said telegram also advised that Smith had addressed letters to the United States Marshal, Dallas, Texas, and Sheriff Homes, Seymour, Texas, offering assistance in locating Barrow.

Special Agents W. E. Miller and R. E. Simons interviewed Luther Austin Smith at the United States Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas. Copies of a memorandum submitted by Special Agent W. E. Miller are being attached for the Oklahoma City Office, Dallas Office and the Division. Charts showing the location of three hideouts in Oklahoma are also being submitted to the Oklahoma City Office for their information.

On April 10, 1934, Special Agent C. C. Dewey submitted a report of his investigation in the vicinity of the Southern part of Iowa where the Barrows were reported as having been seen. Special Agent Dewey, accompanied by Deputy Sheriff Maron, of Leon, Iowa, interviewed Mr. G. H. McKelroy at Lamoni, Iowa, who operates an oil station about six miles west at a dirt cross-road. He stated, in substance, that about midnight a car stopped to get gasoline. He stated that there were two men and a girl in a 1928 or 1929 Chevrolet Sedan; that six gallons of gasoline were purchased and the driver paid him \$1.18 to cover the bill, which amounted to \$1.11. Mr. McKelroy stated he had seen a picture of Clyde Barrow in the Des Moines Sunday paper and the fellow who did the talking while purchasing gasoline resembled Clyde Barrow very closely. Mr. McKelroy stated he had arrangements with his neighbor, Ben Little, that if he has to get up in the night to sell gas Mr. Little is to watch what

is going on.

Ben Little was located at his farm and interviewed. Upon being shown the pictures of Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker he stated that the picture of Clyde Barrow resembled the driver of the car very much. He also stated he believed the car to be a 1930 or 1931 Chevrolet Sedan or Coach, with a Missouri license, the first two numbers of which were "16-".

Special Agent Dewey likewise interviewed Miss Irene Wyman, age 18, who resides at Grant City, Missouri. Miss Wyman stated that on Saturday afternoon, April 7, 1934, she was walking to her home about two miles from town and upon approaching a curve in the road observed a young man and woman in the middle of the road apparently debating about which farmhouse to go to; that as soon as they saw her they returned to their car, which was drawn off of the road and into a roadway leading to a field. She overheard a remark "Did you pick up all the boxes?", this remark being made by one man, and the other man replied "No" and started to pick up the paper boxes and papers in which lunch had been wrapped. Miss Wyman stated that as she passed she called "Hello" and that the people just stood and looked at her. Miss Wyman stated she thought nothing of the matter until she had seen a picture of Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker in a Des Moines Sunday paper, and that she was almost sure it was they. Miss Wyman stated that she particularly noticed that the girl was between 20 and 25 years of age, rather small and slender, and that the man she was with was about six feet tall, large build but not fat. The woman was wearing a dark suit with jacket and a dark felt hat with a brim; that the man she was with had on a light gray suit and a light felt hat; also that the man at the wheel of the car looked smaller than the man with the girl. Miss Wyman, after viewing photographs, stated that the man at the wheel was Clyde Barrow and that the girl was Bonnie Parker. Miss Wyman also described the car as being a Ford Coupe but did not know whether it was a Model A or V-8 Coupe; that there was a rumble seat with something in the back covered with a blanket.

Special Agent Dewey interviewed numerous people in the vicinity, and also interviewed the Sheriff at Bedford, Iowa, relative to the theft of a Chevrolet Car on Sunday morning, April 8, 1934. Agent Dewey likewise interviewed the Sheriff at Indianola relative to the theft of an Oldsmobile. Both of these cars, however, had been recovered.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

THE ST. LOUIS OFFICE, at Cape Girardeau, Missouri, will follow out information requested in telegram dated 4-10-1934.

THE NEW ORLEANS OFFICE, at Shreveport, Louisiana, is requested to report the facts surrounding the theft of 1934 Ford Coach, Motor Number 635408, and will interview T. A. Bloomer relative to the theft.

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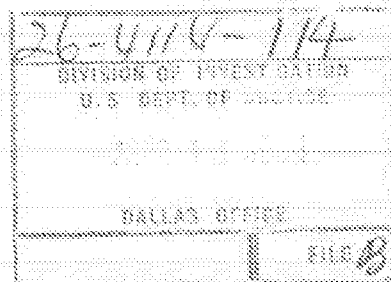
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please Send Me a picture
of Barrow Bonnie Parker
Raymond Hamilton

Yours Sincerely
L.W. Baker

Box 58 Terrell, Texas



420 Post Office Building,
Dallas, Texas.

April 13, 1934.

Mr. L.W. Baker,
Box 88,
Terrell, Texas.

Dear Sir:-

Complying with request contained in your letter of recent date, I am transmitting herewith photograph of CLYDE BARNOW and BONNIE PARKER.

We do not have available a photograph of RAYMOND HAMILTON.

Very truly yours,

F.J. Blake,
Special Agent in Charge.

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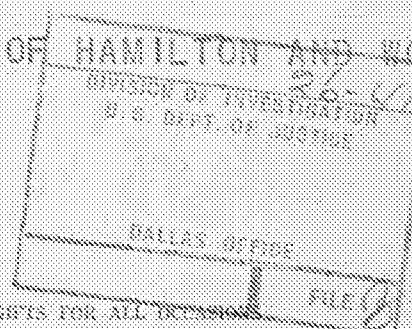
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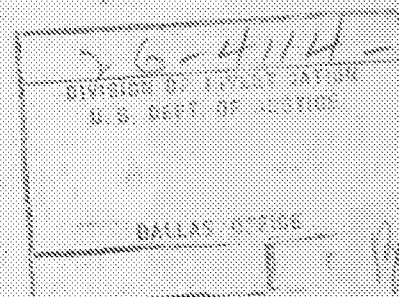
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420 Federal Building,
Dallas, Texas.

April 14, 1934.

Mr. W.H. McDowell,
Chief of Police,
Amarillo, Texas.

Dear Chief McDowell:

I am in receipt of information to the effect that JOE PALMER, who escaped from the Texas State Penitentiary at the same time Raymond Hamilton and Hilton Bybee escaped, is now in Amarillo. This information comes to me from former Captain of the Texas Rangers, Frank Hamer, and he believes it to be reliable. We have no definite address at which Palmer might be located but you may be able, through your contacts there, to ascertain this, and to assist you I am enclosing two photographs of Palmer, with descriptions thereon.

We are advised that the wife of Jack Doose, the latter now serving a term in the Texas State Penitentiary, resides at 902 North Folk Street, Amarillo, and have been told that she is in a position to assist with information concerning Clyde Barrow, Raymond Hamilton and Joe Palmer as Doose formerly was in some way associated with them, but that she will only assist if she is lead to believe that by doing so it may help Jack.

Very truly yours,

F. J. BLAKE,
Special Agent in Charge.

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P. O. Box 1278
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
April 13, 1934

BB:CG
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Director,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Clyde Barrow, with aliases - Fugitive;
I. O. Bell, et al.
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act

On the afternoon of April 11, 1934, I received a telephone call from a person who said his name was H. J. Penn, known as Bob Penn, and he desired to know whether I had received any word from the State Highway Patrol about him. I told him I had not. I asked him what he wished to discuss with me, and he said he would call me later. A short time thereafter I received a call from him, and he came to the office about 6:30 p. m. He was slightly under the influence of whiskey. He exhibited a telegram addressed to himself signed by Captain Hamm of the State Highway Patrol at Dallas, Texas, instructing him to furnish any information relative to Clyde Barrow to this office.

I asked him if he had any information about Clyde Barrow or any other outlaw. He informed me that he might have, but that he was in this thing for what money he could get out of it; that if he were put on the payroll at \$5.00 per day and expenses, he could develop something that would possibly result in the capture of Barrow and others. I asked him what other outlaws he knows, and he stated that he knows Karpis and the Barkers, as he formerly was a Deputy Sheriff at Tulsa, Oklahoma, and that the Barkers and Karpis at one time resided there. He stated that he has not seen any of these people for a long time and does not know where they are; that he does not know Barrow and has never seen him.

Penn was asked specifically what information he has, to which he replied that he has none, but that he believes he could make a contact which would develop some information, but that he would have to receive pay to do it. I informed him that we would be unable to put him on the payroll, but that if he could furnish some specific information that would result in the apprehension of some notorious outlaws that arrangements might be made to pay him something. He stated that he was not interested

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in this, but that he desired to go on the payroll.

Hi Thompson, identification man at the Oklahoma City Police Department, and Clarence Hurt, Detective of the Oklahoma City Police Department, know Penn only slightly, and they do not consider him reliable or trustworthy. Hi Thompson stated that Penn at one time might have been in position to make contacts which would result in ascertaining information of value in respect to criminals, but he does not know whether he is in such position to do so at this time. Thompson further stated that Penn has a weakness for liquor, and he is known to get drunk at almost any time, and that largely for this reason, he does not consider him reliable.

On April 12, 1934, I received a telegram signed by C. D. Waide, Acting Adjutant General of Austin, Texas, inquiring as to whether Penn is known to this office, and making inquiries as to his reputation.

I, on April 12, 1934, contacted Special Agent in Charge Gus T. Jones at San Antonio, Texas concerning this matter, informing him as to the extent of any knowledge this office may have of Penn which is exceedingly slight.

Very truly yours,

DWIGHT BRANTLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

CC Dallas
San Antonio
Kansas City

Post Office Drawer 1487
Saint Louis, Missouri
April 12, 1934

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Suite L, Federal Building,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the telegram emanating from your office under date of April 10, 1934, concerning an automobile accident by the family of Henry Hall, Campbell, Missouri, who are believed to be confined at some hospital in Cape Girardeau, Missouri, further advising that one Nina Dalton, of Windsor, Missouri, employed by Mrs. W. J. Winkler, sister of Clyde Barrow, of Denison, Texas, was alleged to be a relative of the injured parties.

As requested in this wire, Captain Shepherd of the Missouri State Highway Patrol was contacted by telephone for the purpose of determining the possibility that the victims of said accident were identical with the Barrows, at which time Captain Shepherd advised that he had checked the hospital at Cape Girardeau, and ascertained that the man and woman confined there were Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hall of Campbell, Missouri; that they had been injured in an automobile accident at or near Fredericktown, Missouri on March 28, 1934; further, that they were accompanied at the time of the accident by their son and his wife, the son being employed by the Missouri State Highway Department.

Captain Shepherd advised that in the event he obtained additional information, the same would be forwarded immediately to the St. Louis Division Office.

Inasmuch as it is apparent that the victims of this automobile accident are not the Barrows, the matter will be given the necessary attention at such time as an agent is next in the vicinity of Cape Girardeau, Missouri.

Very truly yours,

F. J. YEAGLEY, Acting,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Washington, D. C.

April 11, 1934

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Building,
Dallas, Texas.

RE: CLYDE CHAMPION BARKOW, with
aliases - Fugitive,
Identification Order 1211, et al,
NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT.

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to your telegraphic request of April 9, 1934,
there are being forwarded to you, under separate cover, 50 copies
each of the photographs of Clyde Champion Barrow and Bonnie Parker.

Twenty-five copies of each of these photographs are also
being forwarded, under separate cover, to the offices designated
below.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover
Director.

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| REPORT MADE AT: DALLAS, TEXAS. | DATE WHEN MADE: 4-14-34 | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 3/21 - 4/11/34 | REPORT MADE BY: C.B. WINSTAD. |
| TITLE: CLYDE CHAMPION BARROW, w.a. - FUGITIVE - I.O. #1211. | | | CHARACTER OF CASE: NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT. |

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Clyde Barrow, Bonnie Parker and one unidentified man spent night 3-28-34 in woods near Athens, Texas; Sunday afternoon, April 1, murdered two state officers near Grapevine, Texas; April 6 murdered officer and wounded and kidnaped another near Miami, Oklahoma; abandoned Ford Sedan 4-7-34 near Ottawa, Kansas, after releasing kidnaped officer near Ft. Scott, Kansas, and after theft of Pontiac Coach at Topeka, Kansas. All roads into Texas on North and East boundaries guarded from Friday to Tuesday; various farms owned by Barrow's connections raided. Barrow's former companion Hilton Bybee, interviewed, denies knowledge of any place Barrow will go. List of Barrow's relatives set out herein.

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REFERENCE:

Letter from San Antonio Division Office to Dallas Division Office, dated April 11, 1934.

DETAILS:

On Saturday, March 31, 1934, Sheriff Jess Sweeten of Athens, Texas, notified the Dallas Division Office that he believed Clyde Barrow and companions had spent Wednesday night near Athens in the woods.

The writer made investigation, and upon arrival at the Sheriff's Office at Athens, found that a leather Gladstone Bag together with two laundry shirt wrappers of the Olympia Laundry, Dallas, Texas, the end of a 380 calibre automatic pistol cartridge box, and ticket issued by the McGuire Cleaning & Dyeing Shop of Dallas with the name in pencil written across the face thereof "C.B. Barrow", had been picked up by the Sheriff and brought to his office. Sheriff Sweeten stated that Earl Stokes, a local farmer boy, had seen these people come into the lane about

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five or six miles Northeast of Athens late Wednesday night and had seen them leave about 10: or 10:30 AM the following Thursday morning; that they were in a Ford V-8 Sedan but he did not notice the license number; that upon leaving the lane where they had spent the night they turned to the left toward Marchison as though they intended going on through Tyler, Texas - East.

Earl Stokes, upon being shown Clyde Barrow's photograph, stated positively one of the men was Clyde Barrow; that he could not identify the other man nor the woman but that the woman was a small woman with yellow hair; that the other man was a tall, young, dark complected person.

Agent went to the place where these parties had spent the night - Wednesday night, March 28, and from the tracks it is apparent that they had bathed in the creek which runs through at the foot of the hill where the car was parked, and had changed clothing. The following Sunday, April 1, Clyde Barrow and another man who has not been identified but who evidently was Henry Methvin, one of the convicts who was aided in his escape from the Eastham Penitentiary Farm on January 16, 1934, by Clyde Barrow at the time Raymond Hamilton, Joe Palma and Milton Bybee escaped and were hauled off in a Ford Coupe by Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker, on a side road about four miles North of the town of Grapevine, Texas, murdered two Texas State Highway Patrolmen - E.B. Wheeler and H.D. Murphy. These officers saw the car in which Barrow and Bonnie Parker and the other man were parked on the side road about 300 yards off of the paved northwest highway on a hill and evidently rode up to within a few feet of the car on their motorcycles and before stepping off the motorcycles they were each shot in the chest with a shot gun. A farmer was hauling gravel from a nearby point and he informed some of the state officers that after the two motorcycle officers were down on the ground two persons from the car walked over to them and turned their bodies over with their feet and shot into the bodies with pistols. At that time Barrow was driving a Ford V-8 Sedan which had been theretofore stolen at Shreveport, La., and at the time of its theft bore 1934 Louisiana License 229273. It is not known what license plates were on the car at the time they were in the vicinity of Dallas.

Chief L.O. Phares of Austin, Texas, rushed all of his patrolmen into North Texas and in cooperation with the Division Agents together with local Dallas Police, on the following morning, April 2, farms north of Grapevine owned by Boots Sebastian, sister to Raymond Hamilton, also farms in the same vicinity owned by the following persons reported to be relatives and close friends to the Barrows namely - Jones Pennick, the Turners where Clyde Barrow's step-grandmother, Mrs. Patterson, is reported to reside, were all called upon. No evidence was found at any of these places to indicate that Barrow and his companions had been there, and the persons interviewed all denied he had ever been at their places. On the same date State Highway Patrolmen and other officers near Streetman, Texas, called at the farm of Jim Barrow, brother of Clyde's father, without result.

The next definite information as to the whereabouts of Barrow and his gang was on April 5, the Oklahoma City Division Office advised that Clyde Barrow, Bonnie Parker and another man had been stuck in their V-8 Ford Sedan in the mud near

Miami, Oklahoma, and after threatening to shoot someone if they did not pull their car out of the mud Chief of Police of Commerce, Oklahoma and the constable of Miami came up on the scene and Barrow and his companions shot and killed the constable and wounded the Chief of Police.

Capt. Frank Hamer informed this Agent that the gang fired 80 shots from Browning Automatic Rifles at the two officers near Miami, Oklahoma, and that the constable was shot through the body and the Chief of Police merely wounded in the head.

After this shooting the gang kidnaped the Chief of Police at Commerce, Oklahoma, and took him with them until late in the evening of April 7, when they released him near Ft. Scott, Kansas, after which time they stole a Pontiac Coach at Topeka and abandoned the Ford Sedan in which they had traveled up to this time near Ottawa, Kansas.

On Friday, April 6, the State Highway Patrol, in cooperation with the Division, and various state officers placed a guard on all crossings into Texas from the States of Oklahoma and Louisiana. This guard of highways and bridges was maintained until Tuesday, April 10, 1934. The Pontiac referred to was reported to be a black 1933 Coach, bearing 1934 Kansas License 34445.

Hilton Bybee, one of the convicts who escaped from the Eastham Penitentiary Farm on January 16 with Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker, laid down a barrage directed toward the guards, was subsequently captured at Amarillo, Texas but was killed on in Houston County thereafter, and while in jail at Crockett, Texas with a companion, overpowered the jailer and effected their escape, was again apprehended near Breckenridge, Texas.

Upon being interviewed by this Agent on April 11, 1934, at Throckmorton, Texas, where he was convicted and sentenced to 20 years for highway robbery, furnished the following statement:

"Hilton Bybee, County Jail, Throckmorton, Texas, stated that he knew nothing about the contemplated break at Eastham Penitentiary Farm on Jan. 16, 1934, until the shooting began; that he left with Raymond Hamilton, Henry Methvin and Joe Palma; that Clyde Barrow was the man who did the shooting at that time; that Clyde was shooting a Browning Automatic Rifle; that Joe Palma and Raymond Hamilton each secured a .45 automatic pistol that morning which had been planted in the tool house before they went to the bottom to cut brush; that Bonnie Parker was with Clyde in a Ford V-8 Coupe, which Clyde said he got at Denton, Texas; that Raymond Hamilton made the arrangements for Clyde to release him, and took Joe Palma in on the deal before the break.

"That Hamilton stated he had had a visitor Sunday before the break was pulled; that the first whiskey they bought after the break was Jackson, Minn.; that before getting up in Minn., however, they had

gone to Vernon, Texas, and stole a Dodge Sedan. The Dodge, he believes, was stolen the 2nd night after their escape; that they spent the day before that riding around in Oklahoma; that they crossed the river above Wichita Falls, and came back into Texas, above Vernon; that at some town in Oklahoma Clyde bought Palma, Raymond, Henry and him (Bybee), some clothes, and he (Bybee) threw his penitentiary garb away up in Okla. on a country road near Ardmore; that about the 4th night they robbed a filling station near Hugo, Okla.; that Jackson, Minn. was as far North as they went, and from there they came back through Texarkana, and down to Shreveport, La.; that they left Shreveport about noon and traveled the main paved highway right into Terrell, Texas, where he (Bybee) jumped into a Ford V-8 Coach when a lady got out of it; that they left the Ford Coupe which Clyde had when they got away from the Eastham Farm, near Hugo, Okla., and all got in the Dodge Sedan; that they stole a Ford Sedan some place in Arkansas - a black one - and a yellow or sand colored Ford V-8 Sedan in the Eastern part of Oklahoma and left the Arkansas Car in Oklahoma; that they drove the sand colored car until it was abandoned in Vernon, Texas, where they stole a maroon colored Ford V-8 coach; that Clyde still had that car when he (Bybee) quit the bunch near Joplin, Mo. and near Spring Lake; that Clyde and Bonnie did not talk with or go to see anyone while he was with them, except the night after their escape Clyde left Palma, Methvin and him out on the Northwest Highway near Rhame, Texas, while he (Clyde) Bonnie Parker and Raymond Hamilton went into Dallas, and the night he stole the car in Terrell, he (Bybee), Joe Palma and Henry Methvin stayed on a road near Terrell, while Clyde, Bonnie and Raymond went to Dallas.

"That he knows quite a lot more; that he will not say where they robbed a bank; that he desires to make some kind of a deal to put Clyde on the spot, and avoid returning to the penitentiary.

"He stated that Clyde had two Browning Automatic Rifles. Also that Clyde carries his clothes in a round leather ladies' hat box."

It will be noted in his statement that after the escape on January 16 he and his companions traveled as far north as Jackson, Minn., and evidently from his statement the gang broke up near Spring Lake, south of Joplin, Mo. The whereabouts of Joe Palma is unknown.

Since the murder of the Texas State Highway Patrolman and the constable at Miami, Oklahoma, a letter has been published in the newspapers which Raymond Hamilton forwarded to a local Dallas Attorney in care of the Sheriff at Dallas, Texas, in which he enclosed a \$100.00 bill and his fingerprints were imprinted upon the letter which was written on stationery of the Lafayette Hotel in New Orleans, and post-marked Railway Post Office some place in Louisiana.

Linthicum, near San Angelo, Texas, in some way is related to the Barrows. He has relatives near Carlsbad, N.M. - names unknown.

Friend, who is known to have aided him in the past who has no criminal record himself, is Jeff Weathersby, who lives on what is known as the Double Bridge Road North of Malakoff, Texas.

From all available information Henry Barrow, who has been known to live with Clyde's mother, Mrs. Cummie Barrow, around Dallas for the past 17 years, is Clyde's father. It is possible, however, that the Barrow mentioned in reference letter may be an uncle. He is reported to have a cousin by the name of F.E. Barrow, who works for the Gulf Pipe Line Company at Thompson, Texas; and another cousin by the name of Ellis Barrow, who resides at Conroe, Texas, and drives a gravel truck when he can get work. It is reported that Oscar Weathersby, son of Jeff Weathersby, was at one time married to Clyde's sister, Nellie Barrow, who is now Mrs. Cowan. Oscar Weathersby lives in the vicinity of Trinity Farms or Peeltown, near the Henderson and Kaufman, Texas, lines.

Close watch has been maintained since the murder of the two State Highway Patrolmen in this vicinity by State Highway Officers and Division Agents.

Jeff Weathersby denies that he has seen Clyde Barrow since September 1931.

Mrs. Artie Winkler; husband is Artie Winkler, and is employed by the newspaper at Denison, Texas - The Denison Herald. They are separated and it is reported she is suing him for a divorce. However, subsequent to the time Buck Barrow was released from the Texas State Penitentiary and prior to his death near Dexter, Iowa, the entire bunch - Clyde, Buck and their woman companions, called at Winkler's home in Denison, Texas. Artie Winkler will be interviewed.

PENDING.

Joe Palma, mentioned herein as escaping from the Texas State Penitentiary with Raymond Hamilton, sometimes spells his name Palmer.

April 13, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Federal Building, Suite L,
Kansas City, Missouri.

RE: CLYDE CHAMPION BARRON with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1211, et al -
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith photostatic copies of an
anonymous communication, addressed to the Department of Justice,
and dated at Hutchinson, Kansas, March 6th, wherein reference is
made to the activities of Subject Barrow. Reference is also
made to one VERN WAGGONER, described as a notorious local
racketeer and "fence" for stolen bonds, and who, it is indicated,
has been harboring undesirables of late. Serial 1

It is suggested that the information contained in the
anonymous communication be given consideration in connection with
the investigation in your district of the above entitled case.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

Director.

Encl. #685213

CC - Dallas ✓

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| TITLE: <u>CLYDE BARROW, with aliases, et al</u> <u>I.O. #1211</u> | | | CHARACTER OF CASE: <u>National Motor Vehicle</u> <u>Theft Act</u> |
| SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <p>No license numbered C-13-082 issued in state of Washington. License 13-082 covers 1935 Ford Coupe, owner Hugh T. Gibbens, Tacoma, Washington. Inquiry by sheriff Tacoma, developed Gibbens has not been out of Tacoma recently and car has been in his possession continuously since he purchased it March 2, 1934.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">RMK.</p> | | | |
| REFERENCE: <p>Telegram from Kansas City office dated April 10, 1934.</p> | | | |
| DETAILS: <p>The reference telegram requested that information relative to 1934 Washington license C-13-082, which was believed seen near Sallivar, Missouri, April 9, 1934, in connection with instant case, be secured.</p> <p>It has been previously known, but definitely verified through the Vancouver, Washington Police Department, that the state of Washington does not issue license plates bearing any prefix letter with the exception of the</p> | | | |
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letter "D", indicating dealers' cars. This information was telegraphed the Kansas City office immediately upon receiving same, together with advice that the only West Coast state issuing license plates with letter prefixes is the state of California. For the information of interested offices, California licenses while containing prefix letters, usually carry a prefix such as S C, 4C, etc.

Through telephone communication with the Sheriff's Office, Tacoma, Washington, a request was made for a check-up on 1934 Washington license 13-052, (1) having been ascertained through the Vancouver Police Department that this license was issued to Wilma L. Zimmerman, 4303 South L Street, Tacoma, for Ford Coupe, Motor #12906846. Deputy Sheriff Bernice James, Tacoma, informed agent by telephone that investigation developed that Wilma L. Zimmerman had traded in the 1933 Ford Coupe in question to the Reed Motor Company, and that company sold the car on March 9, 1934, to one Hugh T. Gibbens, 3815 East J Street, Tacoma, Washington, Gibbens being a car repairer in the employ of the Northern Pacific Railroad. Deputy Sheriff James ascertained that Mr. Gibbens is presently working for the Northern Pacific Railroad, has not been absent from his employment recently, and has not been out of the city of Tacoma since purchase of the car in question on March 9, 1934. It was further ascertained that the Ford Coupe has not been out of Mr. Gibben's possession and it would, therefore, be impossible that this car could have been observed in the vicinity of Bolivar, Missouri on April 9, 1934.

It would appear, therefore, that the license number as reported as having been seen at Bolivar, Missouri, was in error either as to the correct number or the state of issuance.

REFERRED UPON COMPLETION TO OFFICE OF ORIGIN.

TEXAS PRISON SYSTEM

LEE SIMMONS, GENERAL MANAGER



BUREAU OF RECORDS AND IDENTIFICATION

W. M. THOMPSON, CHIEF

E. A. SEALE, ASST.

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HUNTSVILLE, TEXAS

IN REPLYING PLEASE
REFER TO OUR FILE NO.

April 15, 1934

Mr. F. J. Blake
U. S. Dept. of Justice
Dallas, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to your request of recent date please find attached hereto six photos each of Henry Methvin and Joe Palmer with descriptive data and fingerprint classification on back thereof.

Very truly yours,

W. M. Thompson
W. M. Thompson,
Chief.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **DALLAS, TEXAS**

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| REPORT MADE AT: El Paso, Texas. | DATE WHEN MADE: 4/13/34 | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 4/9 to 4/12/34 | REPORT MADE BY: R.H. Colvin jfa |
| TITLE: CLYDE CHAMPION BARRON - FUGITIVE I O 1211 | | | CHARACTER OF CASE: National Motor Veh. Theft Act. |

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Description of Subject Barron, of Bonnie Parker, of Pontiac Coach believed stolen by them at Topeka, Kan., broadcast over Police radio, El Paso, Texas, 4/9/34 and over Station KOB, Albuquerque, N.M., same day; 400 descriptive circulars mimeographed and distributed El Paso District.

REFERENCE: Telegram from Dallas Office dated 4/9/34.

DETAILS:

Immediately upon receipt of the telegram of reference, Agent gave description of Clyde Champion Barron, of Bonnie Parker, of Henry Methwin, believed to be accompanying them, as well as of Pontiac Coach which they were believed to have stolen at Topeka, Kan., on the night of April 7, to the Police Radio Station at El Paso and the descriptions were immediately broadcast several times.

Agent communicated by long distance telephone with T.E. Pepperday, Managing Editor, Albuquerque Journal, and Manager of Station KOB, Albuquerque, N.M., operating on 25,000 Watts power, and arranged with Mr. Pepperday to have the descriptions of Barron, Parker, and Methwin, and of their automobile with the various license numbers thought to be in their possession, broadcast at 12 noon on April 9 and again at 6 p.m., at both of which hours there is a State-wide police broadcast over this station. Subsequent advice received from Mr. Pepperday relates that he broadcast the material furnished 3 times during the afternoon of April 9 and 3 times after 6 p.m., in addition to the regular State-wide police broadcast. In favorable hours, KOB is heard over a great portion of the United States.

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In addition to the above actions, there were prepared 400 mimeographed descriptions, copies of which are appended to each copy of this report, and same were distributed to all peace officers on the mailing list of this office, to all banks in this district, and to every service station in the City of El Paso.

Reference is also made to memorandum submitted by Special Agent F.S. Smith, Oklahoma City, April 9, 1934, copies of which were received by the Dallas, Kansas City, and El Paso Offices, wherein Agent Smith relates certain information obtained from one Peggy Kuraland at Tulsa, Okla., more particular reference being had to Page 3, Paragraph 2 thereof, wherein reference is made by informant to an expected hold-up to be pulled in El Paso, Texas, on some big Department Store, where messenger make daily deposits in the bank.

Agent caused investigation to be made at the two large Department Stores in El Paso, to-wit: The Popular Dry Goods Company, and The White House. It was ascertained that the Popular Dry Goods Company makes deposits exactly in the manner described by the informant and through an old man wearing glasses, as described by informant, accompanied by a negro.

The above is merely related to indicate there is some basis for belief that informant knows what she is talking about.

All officers are on the alert throughout this territory for Barrow and his companions. The public has also evinced great interest as the result of the broadcasts, and numerous calls, purporting to give information, have been received which are being checked in proportion to their apparent importance.

Pending.

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

1331 First Nat'l. Bank Bldg.,
El Paso, Texas, April 9, 1934.
Telephone Main 501.

TO ALL PEACE OFFICERS:

WANTED FOR MURDER!

Look out for CLYDE BARROW, accompanied by his woman, BONNIE PARKER, and HENRY METHVIN, escaped Texas convict. They left Topeka, Kansas, Saturday night, April 7, 1934, in a black PONTIAC COACH, 1934 model, with wire wheels, spare tire on the back, with plain black tire cover. They had in their possession the following 1934 license plates:

KANSAS - #3-4445
LOUISIANA - #239-273
OKLAHOMA - #231-047 or 231-947.

DESCRIPTIONS:

BONNIE PARKER: Age - 24; ht. - 5 ft. 6 in.; wt. - 100 lbs.; build - slender; eyes - blue; hair - blonde, may be bleached; bullet wound left foot, next to little toe; burn scar right leg, knee to hip.

HENRY METHVIN: Age - 24; ht. - 6 ft. 0 in.; wt. - 170; hair, light brown; eyes - blue; comp. - fair; tattoos - dagger on right forearm with word "Love" on dagger; large burn scar on left shoulder.

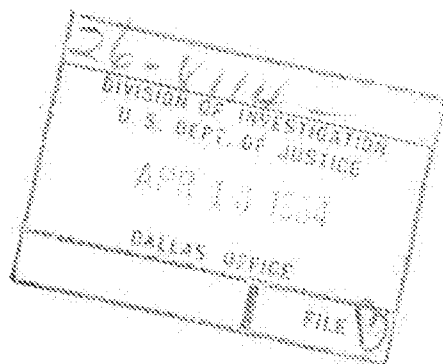
CLYDE CHAMPION BARROW: Age - 33; ht. - 5 ft. 7 in. wt. - 150; build - med.; hair - dk. brown & wavy, may be dyed black; eyes - hazel; comp. - light; tattoos - shield & anchor with USN on right forearm; girl's bust on left forearm.

BARROW and PARKER wanted for MURDER and CAR THEFT; METHVIN, escaped convict. These parties are heavily armed and will shoot on sight. Use all precautions. If seen or any information received, please notify the undersigned by telephone or telegraph, Government Rate Collect.

R. H. Colvin

R. H. COLVIN,
Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice.

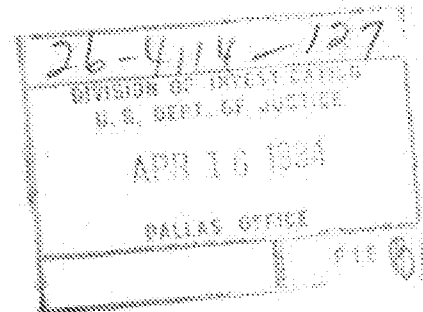
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Des Moines, Iowa.
April 12, 1934.

Mr. Verner Hanni,
Division of Investigation,
303 Post Office Building,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

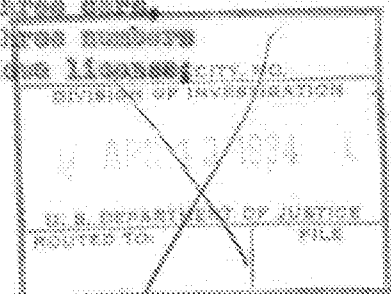
In re: Clyde Barrow, et al.
K.I.V.T.A.



Dear Sir:

Geo Ross Seward, 1503 Baker Street, Des Moines, Iowa, reported to me today information concerning the possible whereabouts of the above named subject. Seward is an exconvict, bootlegger, and pimp, and from questioning police and sheriff deputies his word is not considered the most reliable. For this reason I did not telephone this information to you, but am forwarding it by letter so that you may give it such attention as necessary.

Seward advises that during his incarceration in the Iowa State Reformatory at Anamosa, Iowa, he became acquainted with Archie Barries and Eddie Barries. That on yesterday afternoon, April 11, 1934, Eddie Barries came to him and asked him to go for a drive at about three o'clock in the afternoon. That Barries drove him to a place about twenty-five miles southwest of Centerville, Iowa, where he met another party only known to him as "Dago." That after a few drinks of beer and remaining in this vicinity about a half hour they drove him back to Des Moines, Iowa. That these men told him during the course of their driving around that the Barrow gang was in hiding very close to the place at which they stopped in Centerville. That their purpose in contacting him was to have him guide them by remote roads through Iowa to Sioux City, Iowa, and that he promised to undertake to do this and when he was returned to Des Moines he had no idea that they were going to call upon him shortly thereafter. That upon arriving back in Des Moines he immediately communicated this information to Officer Benton of the Des Moines Police Department, who in turn got in touch with his superior, and this Agent was advised of this information late Wednesday night. Other information given by Seward at that time was that the Barrows and their outfit was traveling in three cars, namely a Pontiac Sedan with Ohio license, the last three numbers of which were 847; a Buick Sedan with a 97 County Iowa license; and a Buick Roadster with a 77 County Iowa license.



Seward called on this Agent this morning and advised that after he returned home last night about 12:30 A. M., Eddie Burries and the party known to him as "Dago" called at his home and told him that the Burrows were in Des Moines and they wanted him to show them the way out of town. That he got into their car and met the other members of this outfit on the east side of Des Moines and through some back streets he took them west on Highway No. 7 to the junction of No. 169, and then north on this highway to Fort Dodge, Iowa. That on entering town the three cars stopped when they met a Ford V8 Roadster, and that Eddie Burries, after talking a short time to the driver told Seward that he could get in this fellow's car and he would take him back to Des Moines. That he returned to Des Moines about 3:30 this morning.

Seward was questioned very closely about this whole matter, inasmuch as Agent had heard of him as an unreliable informant and several discrepancies were found in his story and no means by which it could be verified. He stated that due to the fact that they wound around on country roads near Centerville, Iowa, he does not believe that he would be able to locate the place that they stopped at near there; that due to the fact that his wife was ill and he had given her a sleeping powder last night she did not hear him leave his house or return this morning. Further information given by Seward is to the effect that he rode in the Buick Roadster with the 77 County license and he described this car as a 1937 to 1939 model, bluish-gray; that in this car with him rode Eddie Burries and the party known to him as "Dago" whom he described as a little fellow about thirty-five years of age and dark. That in the second car, which was the Buick Sedan with the 77 County license, was Clyde Burrow by himself. He described this car as being a 1932 model and black in color. That Clyde was wearing a dark suit and dark hat but carries a cap with him which he wears at times. In the third car, which he first said was a Plymouth Sedan but frequently referred to it as a Pontiac, and which bore the Ohio license ending 847, was Bonnie Parker and three other men. He described this as a late model car, dark in color. That both the Plymouth Sedan and the Buick Sedan in which Clyde was riding are equipped with law wave radios to receive police calls.

Seward further stated that he gathered from the conversation that this outfit intended to camp along the river north of Fort Dodge Thursday night and under the cover of darkness to drive into Sioux City and would probably be hidden somewhere in the stockyards district. He further stated that one of the parties in the car in

which Bonnie Parker was riding was referred to as Hamilton, and that another man was referred to as "Red." That he could not recall his name but he had a very red, round full face, medium red hair, and used to run a gambling house in Sioux City. In 1913 and 1914 he was sentenced to Anamosa and in 1930 he was connected with the Pavy gang at Sioux City. That the Buick Sedan with the 97 County license in which Clyde Barrow was riding belonged to Eddie Barvian who hangs out at Sioux City, Fort Dodge, and Ottumwa, Iowa. Seward further advised that from the conversation he overheard the Barrows crossed the bridge from Nebraska into Iowa at either Plattsmouth or Nebraska City, Nebraska, late Saturday night and hid out near Glenwood, Iowa. He stated that it is Clyde Barrow's intention to work his way up to British Columbia and to hide out in some place within a radius of one hundred miles east of Vancouver.

Seward from time to time had information relative to the location of a large narcotic ring here in Des Moines, and after considerable work by the narcotic Agents nothing developed from the information. He has given numerous alleged tips to the local police and none of the same have ever worked out, the most recent tip being to the effect that when the Sears-Robinson store was robbed in December, 1933, the job was pulled by one Jack Lynch, an associate of George (Machine Gun) Malley.. As I recall now, Malley claimed not to know the alleged Jack Lynch. The Sheriff's office advises that they believe Seward's information unreliable, although on one or two occasions he has given them worthwhile tips.

I have received so many tips in the last several days as to the location of the Barrow outfit that I am somewhat skeptical about all of this information, and this tip is such that I am not placing a great deal of faith in the same. However, am passing it on to you for your information.

Very truly yours,

O. C. Seward

(O. C. SEWARD)
Special Agent.

cc Bureau City
Division.

Dallas

UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **DALLAS**

FILE NO. **26-2373**

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| REPORT MADE AT: Salt Lake City, Utah | DATE WHEN MADE: 4-12-34 | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 4-9-34 | REPORT MADE BY: JOHN A. HOWD RM |
| TITLE: CLYDE CHAMPION BARROW, with alias, et al | | | CHARACTER OF CASE: NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT |

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Law enforcement authorities in Salt Lake City Office territory informed that Clyde Champion Barrow stole Pontiac 1934 Model Coach, black with wire wheels, at Topeka, Kansas, on the night of 4-7-34 and accompanied by Bonnie Parker and probably Henry Methvin departed. Subject in possession of Kansas, Oklahoma and Louisiana license plates.

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REFERENCE: Telegram from Dallas Division Office dated April 9, 1934

DETAILS: AT SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH

The above referred to telegram made known that Clyde Champion Barrow stole Pontiac 1934 model Coach, painted black with wire wheels, and carrying a spare tire on the rear with plain tire cover and that this car was stolen at Topeka, Kansas, on the night of April 7, 1934, between 6:30 and 7:30 PM; that he was accompanied by Bonnie Parker and probably Henry Methvin and has 1934 Kansas License plates 3-4445, Louisiana 1934 License plates 239-273 and Oklahoma 1934 license plates 231-047 or 231-947.

DETAILS:

Bonnie Parker was described as age 24, height 5'5", weight 100 lbs., build slender, eyes blue, hair blond but probably hemmed, bullet wound in left foot next to little toe and a burn scar on the right leg from knee to hip and that Henry Methvin is age 24, height 5'9", weight 170 lbs., hair light brown, eyes blue and complexion fair; that Methvin has a dagger tattooed on the right forearm, with the word "LOVE" inscribed on the dagger and has a large burn scar on left shoulder.

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| APPROVED AND FORWARDED: | SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE | <p>26-4714-128</p> <p>DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION</p> <p>U. S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE</p> <p>APR 16 1934</p> <p>RECEIVED AT DIVISION</p> <p>FILE</p> |
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This information was telegraphed to the Sheriffs at Lamar, Las Animas, LaJunta, Hugo and Pueblo, Colorado and to the Chiefs of Police at Colorado Springs, Grand Junction, Greeley, Brighton, Trinidad, and Durango, Colo., as well as to the Sheriff at Las Vegas, Nevada, the Chief of Police at Denver, Colo., the Captain of the Wyoming State Highway Patrol and to SAC R. E. Vetterli at Reno, Nevada, all strategic points in this district.

If and when information concerning the whereabouts of one or all of these persons is received, proper action will be taken.

Agent A. R. Cere, Salt Lake City Division Office, from Reno, Nevada, informed that this information was placed on the Reno, Nevada Police Department Teletype and furnished all law enforcement officers on the tie-up in California.

REFERRED UPON COMPLETION TO OFFICE OF ORIGIN

COPY

Supposed to be Monday

Houston, Texas
Monday

Dear Sir:

I am sending some information which I am sure will lead to the capture of Raymond Hamilton.

But you won't have an easy job getting the information from the girl for she is just too smart to talk. This girl is from Oklahoma. She is a gold digger and black-smiler, belonging to a gang in Tulsa. I am playing a hunch and I think it is a good one, as good as any you will ever get.

Wednesday night this girl went to town, when she came back she was excited and nervous. That was April fourth, and Friday, April sixth, this girl moved near the location where Clyde Barrow stole his auto and let this kidnapped woman out of the car. And now there is another man here from Oklahoma that she is seen with quite a bit and may be living with. Now this girl lives at 311 East 11th, Houston, if she has not moved. Height about 5'-10", weight about 145 pounds, and has dark brown hair. Wears a black and white jacket, name Miss Opal Deslevins, alias Opal McBride, alias Opal Dwyer, alias Opal Seaman. Acts as though she is a poor innocent country girl, a christian, but she is fine and smart.

I am sure this girl will lead to the arrest of Raymond Hamilton and Clyde Barrow. Take my tip and I believe your troubles will be over with that pair of killers. To protect myself from a ride, this letter will not be signed by my right name. Please keep this letter a secret.

Just an
Houstonian

Have her checked in Tulsa. Also alias Opal Conklin. She is going under the name of Seaman now. Checked also in Denver, Chicago, Kansas City, St. Louis.

To Frank Blake from
Frank

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CHAS. J. CRANE

COAL
RETAIL-WHOLESALE
TELEPHONE 217
P. O. BOX 523

PALESTINE, TEXAS

4-16-1934

Mr. J. J. Blake
Agent in Charge
Division of Investigation
Dallas Texas

Dear Mr. Blake

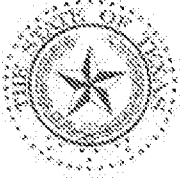
If possible would you please send me
two sets of your latest pictures of Barrow &
Bonnie Parker. I am sure that I can place
them in reliable hands, and ones that will
snap to it when called on.

Yours very truly

Chas. J. Crane

Mailed 4-17-34

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THE STATE OF TEXAS
STATE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT
AUSTIN

STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION
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COMMISSIONERS
GIBB GILCHRIST
STATE HIGHWAY ENGINEER

IN YOUR REPLY PLEASE

REFER TO FILE NO.

DESK NO.

Seguin, Texas
April 14, 1934

L. G. Phares, Chief
State Highway Patrol
Austin, Texas

Dear Chief:

For your information there is a half-sister of Bonnie Parker with other distant relations living in the vicinity of Harwood, Texas by the name of Mrs. Nellie Parker Gonzales. Harwood is located on Highway 3-A in Gonzales County.

We obtained our information from Gus Eagle, Constable at Luling, Texas who said the above mentioned party was highly respected by the people in that community and would report the presence of Barrow if not endangered by doing so. He said however, there were others, distantly related to Barrow who would not hesitate to hide him.

We are having a close watch kept over that part of the country and will check any report of their presence.

Yours very truly,

Patrolman Sloan and Butler

By H. L. Sloan (Signed)

Box 254
Seguin, Texas

cc - Frank Blake
cc - Gus Jones
cc - S. O. Hamm

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420 Post Office Building,
Dallas, Texas.

April 17, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice,
1216 Smith-Young Tower,
San Antonio, Texas.

RE: Clyde Champion Barrow,
with aliases - FUGITIVE,
I.O. #1211; et al.
S.M.V.T.A.

Dear Sir:-

I am in receipt of information to the effect that
one C.H. Nolan of 1906 Truxillo St., Apartment 4, Houston,
Texas - telephone 0443, placed long distance telephone calls
to the home of Mrs. Billie Mace at 232 West 8th St., Dallas,
as follows:

December 10, 1933
December 27, 1933
March 18, 1934

Billie Mace is the sister of Bonnie Parker, notorious
bandit associated with Clyde Barrow.

Very truly yours,

F.J. Blake,
Special Agent in Charge.

FJB:LMF
cc Division
26-4114- 132

420 Post Office Building,
Dallas, Texas.

April 17, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice,
1316 Smith-Young Tower,
San Antonio, Texas.

RE: Clyde Champion Barrow,
with aliases - FUGITIVE
I.O. #1211; et al.
RE:VIA

Dear Sir:-

I am enclosing herewith 2 copies of an anonymous communication received by me from Mr. L.C. Phares, Chief of the State Highway Patrol at Austin, Texas, giving some information concerning Raymond Hamilton and a girl Opal Seaman at Houston, Texas.

The woman referred to is possibly Opal Deaver, an associate of Jim Clark and Bob Brady.

Very truly yours,

F.J. Blake,
Special Agent in Charge.

FJB:LMT
cc Division

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CLYDE BARROW AND BONNIE PARKER REPORTED SEEN AT BUNA TEXAS
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TWO MACHINE GUNS SEEN IN CAR REPORTED BY RELIABLE PERSON=
W P BROWN SHERIFF.

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SUITE 1. FEDERAL BUILDING
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI.
APRIL 17, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge
Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
P. O. Box 709
Portland, Oregon

Dear Sir:

IN RE: CLYDE CHAMPION BARROW, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1211, ET AL
NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT

Confirming telegram of this date, the A.B.C. Storage Company, 8th and Troost, Kansas City, Missouri, reported to this office that on April 12, 1934, that company had shipped two trunks and one box for a Mrs. B. Marlowe, who has been tentatively identified as Bonnie Parker, to Mary Bron, 14 Park Street, Portland, Oregon. This address to which the trunks were shipped was erroneous and should have been 14 Park Street, Forest Grove, Oregon, the A.B.C. Storage Company making an error.

It is requested that appropriate investigation be made to ascertain the identity of the shipper, as well as the identity of Mary Bron. There are being enclosed herewith photographs of Bonnie Parker and a photograph of Subject Barrow.

For the information of the Portland Office, which office has not received copies of previous reports in this case, Bonnie Parker is described as follows: Age 24; height 5'5"; weight 100 pounds; build slender; eyes blue; hair blonde, may be bonneted. Bullet wound left foot next to little toe; burn scar right leg knee to hip.

Clyde Champion Barrow is described as follows: Age 25; height 5'7"; weight 150 pounds; build medium; hair dark brown and wavy, may be dyed black; eyes hazel; complexion light; tattoo - shield and anchor with "U.S.M." on right forearm; girl's bust on left forearm.

Very truly yours,

BRARON
cc - Division
Dallas

E. E. CONROY
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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JOSE G. ROGERS, Mayor
M. N. TWADDELL, Commissioner
H. ERNEST SMITH, Commissioner
H. R. SMITH, City Manager

POLICE DEPARTMENT
The City of Amarillo

W. R. McDOWELL
CHIEF OF POLICE

T E X A S

Amarillo Texas, April, 17th, 1934.

F.J.Blake,
Special Agent in charge,
U.S.Bureau of investigation,
Dallas Texas,

Freind Blake;

I have talked with Mrs Jack Doose, in regard to the Barrow gang,

She claimes to have seen Clyde Barrow, one time at Pampa Texas, says she dont know Joe Palmer, at all but I rather think she does, she seems very eager to git her husband out of Pen, and said she would do most any thing to get his release, as I understand Jack Doose, and Jack Stewart, was convicted for same crime at Farwell Texas, which was Burglary, and they have still another charge of attempt robbery with fire arms, this at Mule Shoe Texas,

She also informed us that Clyde Barrow, had a verry close friend at Pampa Texas, who would take care of him any time, and she said the time she seen Clyde, she was in company with this Jack Stewart, who is a side kick of her husband, and that was at Pampa,

I learned from Mrs Doose, that her maiden name was Palmer, and her parents, live or did live at Roswell N.Mex. I would suggest that if Mr Dowd, should have a trip up this way soon we could git in touch with Mrs Doose, and might learn more about this deal, she could be a relative of this Joe Palmer, we have two or three rumbels lately that Clyde and Hamilton and Bonnie, was here but when we fanned it out was nothing to it, let us hear from you any time, you

yours very truly,
W.R.McDowell,

W.R. McDowell

Chief of Police,

P.S.

Mrs Doose, expressed the belief if she could git to her husband and talk with him that she believed that she would be able to git us plenty of information, but as she is without funds or any job, she is unable to go down there without some financial aid.

W.R.M.

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420 Federal Building,
Dallas, Texas.

April 18, 1934.

Mr. E.J. Dowd,
c/o Holt Hotel,
Wichita Falls, Texas.

Dear Mr. Dowd:

Upon your arrival at Amarillo, please consult with Chief of Police McDowell relative to correspondence passing between him and me concerning Mrs. Jack Doose whose husband is now incarcerated in the Texas State Penitentiary, having in mind the probability that we may be able to employ her as an informant and furnish her transportation and expenses to Huntsville.

No intimation should be given her, however, of this until you are thoroughly satisfied that we could reasonably expect some assistance from her in the event we did so.

Very truly yours,

F. J. BLAKE,
Special Agent in Charge.

FJB:LM
26-4114-137

420 Federal Building,
Dallas, Texas.

April 18, 1934.

Director,
Division of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D.C.

Re: CLYDE CHAMPION BARRON - FUGITIVE,
I.O. 1811; et al.
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

Dear Sir:

Two Browning Automatic Rifles were recovered from Henry Brown. Efforts to develop latent prints resulted in only one fragment of a print being obtained from Browning Automatic Rifle No. 71673.

There are enclosed herewith two photographs of the fragment of the fingerprint found on said rifle with request that same be developed and if sufficient of a print shows in photograph that same be compared with prints of Raymond Hamilton and Clyde Barrow, Henry Methvin, Joe Palmer and Milton Bybee, alias W.E. Bybee.

Very truly yours,

F.J. BLAKE,
Special Agent in Charge.

CSW:LM
26-4114- 138

420 Post Office Building,
Dallas, Texas.

April 18, 1934.

Mr. J.V. Murphy, Special Agent,
Division of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice,
Federal Building,
Houston, Texas.

RE: Clyde Champion Barrow,
with aliases - FUGITIVE,
I.O. #1211; et al.
RMVIA

Dear Sir:-

Transmitted herewith is photograph of RAYMOND HAMILTON, Dallas, Texas PD #10661; also a small full-length photograph of Hamilton and photograph of MARY O'DARE, Wichita Falls, Texas PD #1-3214. It is thought these pictures might be of some assistance to you in making investigation at Houston in an effort to locate Hamilton.

Mary O'Dare, alias Mary Pitts, nee Mary Chambliss, is now Raymond Hamilton's companion; and it is thought they are accompanied by Mrs. Maggie Farris, who is Raymond's sister and who has with her her 3 months old baby. Maggie Farris is from Dallas and is described as small, about 20 years of age, and has reddish hair; she is driving a 1929 model black Ford roadster.

Lieutenant Will Fritz of Detective Bureau, Dallas Police Department, has notified Chief of Police Payne at Houston regarding these persons.

Very truly yours,

F.J. Blake,
Special Agent in Charge.

LMT

cc San Antonio
66-4114- 139

Kansas City, Missouri,
April 8, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

RE: CLYDE CHAMPION BARROW, with aliases-
FUGITIVE, I.O.#1211, ET AL.,
NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT.

Pursuant to Division telegram dated 4-7-34, the writer together with Special Agent Simonds interviewed the party mentioned in reference telegram. At the beginning of the interview, the informant stated that he is well acquainted with both Clyde Barrow and Charles "Pretty Boy" Floyd but would furnish no information unless this Department would not only keep his name confidential but also the place of his imprisonment due to the fact that the gangs in question could readily trace the source of the information and that reprisals upon himself and family would be sure to follow. He was assured that the source of the information would be kept strictly confidential as well as any details by which the source of the information might be traced.

He then stated that at the present time Barrow's gang consists of Bonnie Parker, Raymond Hamilton, W.H. Bybee and another man who escaped with Hamilton and Bybee from the prison farm in Texas a short time ago. He could not recall name of this last man but from information furnished, it appears this party is Joe Palmer who is listed as one of the parties who escaped at that time. This conclusion is reached due to the fact he stated the party in question was not "Frenchy" or Mahan (apparently meaning Methvin).

Informant further stated that in February, 1934 he talked to Bybee while he was being held in jail over night at Wichita Falls, Texas, enroute to the Texas prison farm; that Bybee stated he could always be reached by communicating with L.A. Batton, who operates a Gulf filling station at Lubbock, Texas; that Batton would put informant in touch with Bybee's father who in turn would tell informant where he could meet W.H. Bybee, the first name of the father not being mentioned. Informant states that Batton is a reputable business man but is a relative of Bybee and thinks lots of him. Consequently he would not aid an officer in locating Bybee. He also stated that Barrow gave Bybee's father money with which to buy a place near Lubbock, Texas which was to be used as a hideout for the gang. It was understood from young Bybee that at one time his father lived on a farm about 14 miles from Lubbock, direction being unknown.

At the same time informant was advised by W.H. Bybee that he together with Hamilton and three other convicts were released from the prison farm by Barrow and Bonnie Parker. Subsequent to this conversation Bybee was taken to the jail at Crockett, Texas from which he subsequently escaped according to information reaching informant. He therefore believes that Bybee is again with Barrow and that the gang will visit the hideout maintained by Bybee's father whose exact location is unknown.

Informant further stated that this gang also has a hideout which was financed by the gang and which is maintained by some individual whose identity is not known to informant. This hideout where the gang goes to "cool off" is reached as follows:

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On highway from Coalgate to Hugo, Okla., go one mile south from Antlers or Atoka (whichever town is farther north) to a dirt road which runs west to Wagonmucka and which road appears on a Comasco road map. Follow this road west about 8 miles to the edge of some timber which lies on west and covers about 4 remaining miles to Clear Boggy Creek. Upon travelling the 8 miles west and coming to the timber aforementioned there will be found a dirt road or lane leading south or to the left. Follow this road south about 3/4 mile or 1 mile and there will be found a wire gap through which there has been considerable travel. There are two or three gaps along this road before reaching this one but this one is on the right hand side of the road and shows more travel than the others. Upon going through this gap on the right hand side of the road travel west around a hill and on the back side of this hill will be found a frame house of about 4 rooms and with a frame garage which holds 3 cars. This place is operated by a man whose name is unknown, the money for the place being furnished by Barrow and Floyd and both gangs use the place as a hideout when they are "hot". The roads are impassable and for that reason the place is not used in bad weather and not so frequently in good weather except when the gang wants a secluded place in which to rest after a hard chase. The man in charge of the place appears when the automobile horn is sounded one time, then three times, then two times in succession, this apparently being the gang's signal. The garage is used for storing cars for the gang and all of the cars are "hot". After Underhill was married in the fall of 1933, he and his wife visited this place for a short time while informant was there.

Another hideout of the gang is the home of a moonshiner whose name is believed to be Campbell. This party resides on a bend in highway U.S. No. 277 located about 1/2 mile southwest of Cement, Okla. The house is a large frame structure of between 6 and 8 rooms and believed to have been painted green. It sits on a hill behind some black jack trees and there is an oil well southeast of the house but it is not believed this can be seen from the highway as one travels southwest but can be seen as one approaches from the southwest on this highway. This party whose name is believed to be Campbell has one hand off at the wrist (believed to be the left hand) and has a widowed daughter who with her two small children also reside there. Both the Barrow and Floyd gangs stop at this place every time they are in this vicinity, buy 10 or 15 gallons of whiskey and rest 8 or 10 hours. They usually give this man a hundred dollars/they have just made a good haul, and have plenty of money. Informant saw Barrow together with Bonnie Parker, Hamilton, Bybee and the fifth man (apparently Palmer) at this place on 12-26-33. Barrow, Bonnie, and Hamilton were in a Ford V-8 sedan while the other two were in a Ford V-8 Coupe. It is believed all cars were black and had Okla-~~homa~~ license tags.

The gangs of Barrow and Floyd also are on friendly terms with Dave Landers and Darley Clark, notorious moonshiners from whom they sometimes buy whiskey. To reach their places, go west from Asher, Okla., 3 miles to store of one McPherson; turn north, pass a school house on the left and about a mile farther pass a church on the right. Landers home is on the right hand side of the road shortly after passing the church and approximately 3 1/2 miles from McPherson's store. Clark's home is on the left hand side of the road and a short distance beyond but within sight of Landers' home. Two rows of cedar trees run back from the highway to Clark's home which is about 250 yards from the road. Neither Landers nor Clark would furnish any information but would warn the gangs if any inquiry were made. The same is true of McPherson who operates the aforementioned store; also all other residing in the immediate vicinity as this is a liquor community.

The Floyd gang sometimes buys liquor from a blonde woman named "Deloyne" who

resides about two miles west of Asher, Okla., on the gravel road leading to McPhersons Store, the house being located on the north side of the highway.

With reference to the methods of operation, informant stated that Barrow and Hamilton wear bullet proof vests as do the other men when they can get them. So far as known, however, Bonnie Parker has never worn one, explaining when questioned about the matter that these vests are so built that they do not fit a woman. The men wear their vests when robbing a bank or when travelling on the highway and only take them off when they know they are among friends. The gang always travels in two cars, one being about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile behind the other so that if the first car is stopped by officers, they can be shot down by the occupants of the second car. Barrow, Bonnie, and Hamilton usually travel in one car while Bybee and the other man follow in the second car. They almost invariably use Ford V-8 cars due to their speed and quick pickup but when last seen, they indicated that they were beginning to prefer Buicks when they could be obtained. Although Barrow at one time stopped at tourist camps, he has recently become afraid to stop at such places and the gang usually drives off on some side road a considerable distance from the main highway and then sleep in the cars with one man always awake and on the lookout. Although they do lots of drinking, they never drink so much that they will sleep without one man being on the lookout. Although they travel the main highways for most purposes, after a robbery or when they are otherwise "hot" they always stay on side roads. They have no particular method of escape after a robbery but merely choose the route they think best under the circumstances although they sometimes double back the way they came in order to elude the officers. Bonnie Parker furnishes much of the "brains" of the gang and Barrow usually follows her suggestions. She can shoot any kind of gun as well as any of the men and usually drives the car. One of the methods especially used after a bank robbery is to kidnap parties from the bank in order to prevent being fired on by pursuers.

Barrow and the members of his gang have expressed a decided preference for the Browning rifle over the Thompson Sub-machine gun due to the fact that the Browning has a greater effective range and will easily disable automobiles. They are reported to have soldered two Browning clips together so as to give the gun 40 rounds per clip instead of the usual 20 rounds. They always carry two or three of such guns in their car in addition to several 45 caliber automatic pistols. Informant explained that these guns, especially the rifles, are stolen from military posts after the gang has bribed some soldier on guard to be at the far end of his post while they are breaking in and securing the guns and ammunition. They at one time mentioned securing guns from some post at San Antonio, Texas in this manner.

Informant advised that the Barrow gang also has a hideout $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles northeast or $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles southeast of Coalgate, Okla., exact location being unknown. This is one of their most accessible hideouts and they frequently go there. The City Marshal at Coalgate, whose name is believed to be Jones, operates a cafe where both the Barrow and Floyd gangs frequently eat and he knows them well but will give no information concerning them.

According to informant, Floyd and Barrow are on friendly terms but do not work together although their friends and hiding places are practically identical in most cases.

With reference to cases in which Barrow and Bonnie are reported to have been shot by officers, informant states that when he last saw them in December, 1933, Bonnie

had been shot through the calf of one leg and the knee, believed to be the right, was stiff from "water on the knee". Clyde had been shot through the calf of the leg and these were the only wounds they had received in their battles with the officers up to that time. Their method is always to shoot before the officers have a chance to draw their guns. Both Barrow and Hamilton are "kill crazy" and will kill even without provocation.

Although Informant at first refused to give any information concerning Floyd, stating that Floyd does not kill except when compelled to do so in avoiding capture, as a result of detailed questioning he stated that Floyd only operates with one or two others, his last associates being George Birdwell and a young man whose name sounds like Ritchie and who is from Osceola or some other town in Southern Missouri where Floyd kidnapped the sheriff about June, 1933. The present members of Floyd's gang are unknown to Informant. He added that Floyd told him that so far as Floyd was concerned, the Union Station Massacre was a "bum rap" as Floyd was in the Cockson Hills when that occurred.

Informant further stated that Floyd uses only one car in his travels and that he has practically quit doing the bank robbing but leaves that to others while he waits on the outskirts of the town in another car to aid the escape, holding back the officers by gunfire if necessary and then following the escaping car in a second car from which he dumps large quantities of tacks or roofing nails in order to stop pursuing cars. He states eastern Oklahoma officers generally are afraid of Floyd or friendly toward him so they make no efforts to apprehend him.

Informant added that both Floyd and Barrow like Ohio and Indiana but do not venture farther east; that Floyd told of killing an officer in some town in Indiana when officers killed Bill "The Killer" Miller and captured two Ash girls from Kansas City who are known to officers in Kansas City. This trip was started the day after the Union Station Massacre. Floyd never did tell Informant if he knew who the actual killers in the Union Station Massacre were. In this connection, Informant stated he had heard of Ed Davis being connected with Floyd but did not recognize the names of Clark and Brady as being associated with Floyd although he believes he has heard them mentioned by Wilbur Underhill.

With reference to Underhill and the Union Station Massacre, Informant stated that he has been around Underhill a number of times and heard him discussing the massacre but paid very little attention as Informant was not acquainted around Kansas City and therefore not interested in the affair; that he recalls Underwood stating that he met up with Frank Nash in Arkansas; that a call came from Hot Springs Ark., to some one in Kansas City who later got in touch with Underhill while he was at the home of some woman who lived on some "Drive" or something similar in Kansas City. Underhill further stated that he was at the Union Station at time of the massacre but did no shooting, the inference being that it wasn't necessary for him to do so. It is believed he mentioned 5 or 7 men who were there and among these it is believed he named Bob Brady and Clark although it is possible he had merely mentioned these men on some occasion as being in his gang. It is distinctly recalled that Underhill spoke of a big heavy set fellow who handled "the machine gun". Informant recalls this as the man's name was mentioned but now forgotten by him, as the name wasn't familiar, he asked what this fellow looked like and he was described as a big heavy set man. Informant does not recall hearing Verne Miller's name mentioned in connection with the massacre but has heard Underhill speak of an ex-sheriff from "Dakota" who worked sometimes with Underhill on bank robberies and who was as much against the law as he had formerly been for it. During discussions of the matter Underhill remarked that Nash was killed accidentally while they were trying to free him and that during the

the shooting Nash cried out, "My God, don't kill me!"

Although Informant could not recognize some of the men from name and description, he stated that he might be able to furnish information concerning them if he could see their photographs.

Informant was questioned closely in order to determine whether his information was reliable and it was noted that he frequently was in doubt concerning such things as would likely slip his memory such as the band which was off the man named Campbell and the leg of Barrow which had been hit by the bullet; also that two of the hideouts of the gang are known to him only through other parties and he therefore did not profess to know the exact location as would be expected if his story were manufactured. He also had considerable information concerning activities of the Barrow gang as reflected by the file in the Kansas City Office. It is Agent's opinion from observation and questioning of this informant that the informant has considerable information concerning the gang's activities and that the information above reported is worthy of further investigation.

Extra copies of this report have been made in order that same may be placed in the file covering the Union Station Massacre.

Rough pencil sketches prepared by Informant showing the hideouts near Antlers, Cement, and Asher, Okla., are being attached hereto in order that same may be transmitted to the Oklahoma City Office if you so desire.

In a telephone conversation with SAC Blake of the Dallas Office on 4-2-36, he was furnished the information concerning the alleged hideout in the vicinity of Lubbock, Texas.

Respectfully submitted,

V.E. Miller, Special Agent.

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| REPORT MADE AT: NEW ORLEANS | DATE WHEN MADE: 4-18-34. | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 4/7 thru 14/34. | REPORT MADE BY: JAMES O. PETROKHIN |
| TITLE: CLYDE CHAMPION BARROW, with aliases- FUGITIVE, I. O. #1211; et al. | | | CHARACTER OF CASE: NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT. |

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

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Ford V-8 Coach, Motor 40-533-408, bearing Louisiana 1934 License 239-275, property of Louisiana Longleaf Lumber Company, Fisher, Louisiana, stolen 3-31-34, at Shreveport, Louisiana. Raymond Hamilton and woman companion (identified as Mary O'Dare alias Mary Pitts) registered at Lafayette Hotel, New Orleans, La., 4-5-34, as F. A. Murphy and wife, Lake Charles, La.; checked out night of 4-6-34. Hamilton identified by Pullman porter I. C. R. R. as passenger from New Orleans, La., to Chicago, Ill., night of 4-6-34, arriving Chicago night of 4-7-34. Hamilton, in company of alleged wife, purchased eyeglasses from N. Bellamore, Inc., New Orleans, La., 4-6-34. C. P. Songeron, optometrist, identified photograph of Hamilton and Mary O'Dare as persons he served on 4-6-34 at Bellamore's. Division, Dallas, and Chicago Offices advised by telephone of developments at New Orleans, La. Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker reported to have been seen in Bienville, Parish, Louisiana, 4-10-34.

DETAILS:

REFERENCE:

Report of Special Agent S. R. Allen, Kansas City, Missouri, 4-12-34.

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AT NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA.

On April 7, 1934, long distance telephone message was received from the Kansas City Office to the effect that Blyde Harrow abandoned Ford V-8 Sedan, Motor #18-538-408, bearing 1934 Louisiana License 239-273, at Ottawa, Kansas, on April 7, 1934, which car had been stolen at New Orleans, Louisiana, on April 2, 1934. The New Orleans Office ascertained that Louisiana License 239-273 (1934) was issued to the Louisiana Longleaf Company, Fisher, Louisiana, for Ford V-8 Coach, Motor #40-535-408.

Special Agent L. A. Kindell, of the New Orleans Office, reports that P. A. Bloomer, who is an official of the Louisiana Longleaf Lumber Company, Fisher, Louisiana, on March 31, 1934, at about 6 p. m. drove this car in the driveway of his home, 934 Unadilla Street, Shreveport, Louisiana, and fifteen minutes later it was discovered that the car had been stolen by unknown parties.

On April 8, 1934, S.A.C. F. J. Blake, of the Dallas Division Office, advised the New Orleans Office by telephone that subject Raymond Hamilton, with a woman companion, stopped at the Lafayette Hotel, New Orleans, Louisiana, checked out on the night of April 6, 1934, and according to reports caught an I. C. Railroad train that night for unknown destination.

On interviewing Detective Rudolph Slichko, New Orleans Police Department, he stated that Chief of Detectives John Grosch, in an investigation with a view to locating Raymond Hamilton, had been assisted by him, Slichko. Slichko stated that Chief Grosch instituted investigation in connection with this matter on the strength of information received from the Sheriff's Office at Dallas, Texas, to the effect that a lawyer named A. S. Haskett had received a communication from Raymond Hamilton, Lafayette Hotel, New Orleans, Louisiana, and that in his letter Hamilton wanted it known that he had not participated in certain crimes charged to his credit. During agent's interview with Detective Slichko, Deputy Sheriff Bud Walker, of Dallas, Texas, was present. Mr. Walker informed agent that he came to New Orleans to return a prisoner to Dallas, Texas, and that while at the Detective Bureau at New Orleans Police Department he was told that Raymond Hamilton had been in New Orleans a few days before. He stated that he had a photograph of Hamilton in his possession, and that this photograph was used in securing information or establishing that Hamilton was actually the person who was at the Lafayette Hotel at New Orleans, Louisiana, under the assumed name of F. A. Murphy.

Detective Slichko stated that his investigation developed that Raymond Hamilton, with an unknown woman, had registered at the Lafayette Hotel, New Orleans, Louisiana, on April 5, 1934, as F. A. Murphy and wife, Lake Charles, Louisiana, and checked out on the night of April 6, 1934; that according to information furnished by one of the negro bell boys of the Lafayette Hotel, F. A. Murphy, a guest at the hotel, identified as Raymond Hamilton, and his female companion, were driven to the Illinois Central Railroad Station in a Yellow Cab, and that Hamilton had told him, the negro bell boy, that he had to catch the 8:40 p. m. train, which is I. C. Train #2, destination Chicago, Illinois.

John Jackson, Clerk, Lafayette Hotel, New Orleans, Louisiana, stated that he received the registration of F. A. Murphy and wife, Lake Charles, Louisiana, the night of April 5, 1934, and that the woman, not observed by him, signed the register, the man remaining at a distance of about twenty feet from the desk. He stated that the couple checked out at about 8:20 p. m. April 6, 1934, and that later on during this night the taxi driver, named "Black" told the bell boy that he had taken the couple to the I. C. Railroad Depot.

It appears that the taxi-cab driver complained that this couple was not as liberal in tipping him as they had been in tipping the negro bell boys. Mr. Jackson stated that although he was shown the photograph of Raymond Hamilton by Police Officers, he could not make any identification for the reason that he did not observe either the man or his female companion, and that he would have difficulty in identifying them if actually confronted with them.

Roy Dupre, colored, bell boy, Lafayette Hotel, New Orleans, stated that on the afternoon of April 6, 1934, Mr. Murphy, who occupied Room 526, told him that he wanted to catch the 8:40 train that night, and that he carried the couple's baggage to a Yellow Cab stationed in front of the Hotel, which was at about 8:20 p. m., April 6, 1934. The photograph of Raymond Hamilton was shown to Dupre, and he positively identified same as that of the person who registered at the Lafayette Hotel the night of April 5, 1934, as F. A. Murphy. He was unable to identify the photograph of Mary O'Dare, alias Mary Pitts, stating that he did not observe her close enough, but that her photograph resembles Hamilton's female companion, who posed as Mrs. F. A. Murphy. Roy Dupre stated that Mr. Murphy had purchased eyeglasses from E. Bellamore, Inc., New Orleans, Louisiana, on the afternoon of April 6, 1934.

Fred H. Mackinroth, driver of a Yellow Cab, residing at 1303 Marengo Street, New Orleans, Louisiana, on being interviewed by Acting S.A.C. C. A. Whitten at the New Orleans Office, stated that although he had driven a couple at about 8:20 p. m. April 6, 1934, from the Lafayette Hotel, New Orleans, to the I. C. Railroad Depot, he did not observe them and could not identify them if confronted with them again.

G. P. Sougeron, Optometrist, with E. Bellamore, Inc., New Orleans, Louisiana, advised agent that an individual with a female companion came to his place of business at about 1 p. m. April 6, 1934, and that this man had to be fitted with "read" eyeglasses; that he examined this man's eyes and found them to be perfectly healthy with the exception that he had a little error of astigmatism, which he corrected by prescribing glasses; that he sold this man, who gave his name as F. A. Murphy, eyeglasses as follows:

"Windsor Frame Dark Shelled Cover - made by Shuron Optical Co., of Canova, New York; curved lenses called Toric lenses; light weight rims; 38 millimeters round."

Dr. Sougeron stated that F. A. Murphy told him that his home was at Lake Charles, Louisiana, but that he was stopping at the Lafayette Hotel; that he asked Murphy if he had worn eyeglasses, and in response Murphy stated that he had worn them a long time ago. On being shown the photographs of Raymond Hamilton and Mary O'Dare received from the Dallas Division Office, Dr. Sougeron positively identified both photographs and those of the couple who visited his place of business on April 6, 1934, as above related.

Pullman porter, Clarence Lewis, on Car #78, I. C. Railroad Train #2, which train left New Orleans, Louisiana, 8:40 p. m., April 6, 1934, on being shown the photograph of Raymond Hamilton, stated that same was the photograph of a passenger on his car the night of April 6, 1934, and that this individual traveled all the way from New Orleans, Louisiana, to Chicago, Illinois, arriving at Chicago the night of April 7, 1934. Lewis was unable to identify the photograph of Mary O'Dare. Lewis stated that on account of the large number of passengers who occupied his car on that particular trip he could not remember whether or not the individual whom he has identified as above related had a female companion.

On Friday afternoon, April 13, 1934, Special Agent L. A. Kindell, of the New Orleans Division Office, informed S.A.C. R. Whitley by telephone from Monroe, Louisiana, that he had just received information from an informant at Ruston, Louisiana, that Clyde Barrow was supposed to be at a farmhouse in a remote section southwest of Ruston; that he, Kindell, was proceeding immediately to Ruston where he would contact local officials who would organize a posse to conduct a raid on the farmhouse in question.

On April 14, 1934, Special Agent L. A. Kindell, at Monroe, Louisiana, advised S.A.C. R. Whitley by telephone that, accompanied by Chief of Police Bazer, of Shreveport, Louisiana, and a number of other officers, they had on the evening of April 13, 1934, contacted the Sheriff of Arcadia, Bienville Parish, Louisiana; that it was ascertained that rumors had been prevalent in that community that several days that Barrow, Bonnie Parker, and Henry Methvin, referred to in previous reports, in an automobile bearing Oklahoma license, had been at the home of Henry Methvin's father and brother, who resided about five miles apart, fifteen miles south of Castor near Ashland, Louisiana, in a very remote section of the Parish, and that the car with Oklahoma license was last seen on Tuesday, April 10, 1934, and the parties were reported to have left about that time. Agent Kindell stated that numerous contacts were made with informants in that vicinity, and it was ascertained that Methvin's father and brother had recently moved to that section from near Bossier City, Louisiana; that both had shown signs of unusual and mysterious prosperity; and that the Oklahoma car in which Barrow and his companions were supposed to have visited in that section had left several days previously. Agent Kindell stated that it was decided that a raid at that time would be inadvisable, and that in view of the apparently reliable informants who were in a position to furnish definite information upon Barrow's return, it appeared preferable to wait until they were certain that Barrow was in that section. Agent Kindell also advised that Sheriff Tom Hughes, of Shreveport, Louisiana, joined the party at Arcadia, Louisiana; that efforts were made to have no publicity which might prevent Barrow from returning to that section; that, however, the morning papers at Shreveport and Monroe,

Louisiana, had carried considerable information regarding the alleged presence of Barrow and the raid which had been contemplated. In this connection, Agent Kindell stated that Sheriff Hughes at Shreveport has apparently been obtaining considerable information regarding Barrow's activities in North Louisiana from the Sheriff at Dallas, Texas, and that it appears that he, Sheriff Hughes, invariably immediately gives all such information to the newspapers for publication. Agent Kindell stated that Chief of Police Bazer of Shreveport, Louisiana, was disgusted with the activities of Sheriff Hughes in this connection.

Pertinent information in connection with this investigation was furnished to the Division, as well as to the Dallas, Texas and Chicago, Illinois Division Offices.

It is assumed that the Dallas Office has made proper contact with Mr. A. S. Baskett, Attorney-at-law, 523 North Texas Building, Dallas, Texas, for his cooperation in effecting the apprehension of these subjects.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

THE NEW ORLEANS OFFICE: At Arcadia, Louisiana, and vicinity, will keep in touch with the Sheriff and informants, who are acquainted with the Methvin family residing in a section near Castor, Louisiana, for cooperation in furnishing the New Orleans Office promptly with any information they might receive relative to the movements of Clyde Barrow and other subjects of this investigation.

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| REPORT MADE AT: DALLAS, TEXAS. | DATE WHEN MADE: 4-26-34 | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 4/15-18/34 | REPORT MADE BY: F.S. DUNN. |
| TITLE: RAYMOND HAMILTON; CLYDE CHAMBERLAIN; HENRY KATHVINE; JOE PALMER; ERNEST BROWN, alias HUNTER BROWN; HENRY BROWN; WILLIE BOHILLIO; JESS KATHLEY. | | | CHARACTER OF CASE: THEFT OF GOVERNMENT PROPERTY. |

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

On February 19, 1934 the armory at Ranger, Texas, was robbed of four army Browning Rifles and 13 45-Colt Automatic Army Pistols. Subjects Brown, Bohillio and Brown arrested at Dallas, Texas, and two Browning Rifles recovered with quantity of ammunition. Admissions obtained of illegal possession. Complaint filed at Dallas 4-17-34, and committed to Dallas County Jail in Dallas in default of \$1500.00 bond each.

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DETAILS:

This matter was reported to the Dallas Division Office by Sheriff R.A. Schmid of Dallas, Texas, and later information was received through Capt. Wayne C. Hickey, Commanding, Co. I, Supply Company Texas National Guard, Ranger, Texas, that the armory at Ranger, Texas, had been burglarized on the night of February 19, 1934, and four Browning Machine Rifles and Thirteen 45-calibre automatic pistols stolen.

On April 15, 1934, Sheriff Schmid advised that Ernest Brown, Henry Brown, Willie Bohillio and Jess Kathley had been arrested and were then in the County Jail and that there had been recovered on April 11, 1934 from Henry Brown 2 Browning Automatic Army Rifles 30-06 calibre, numbers 231907 and 71873, together with a quantity of ammunition and clips to fit said guns, and a number of 1934 Texas License Plates. This property was delivered to Special Agents Winstead and Dunn and are now in the possession of the Dallas Division Office.

Mr. Ed Carter, Deputy Sheriff of Dallas, who was assigned to investigate this matter, brought the above prisoners to the Dallas Office where they were interviewed in his presence.

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Ernest Brown on being interviewed stated that he married Lucy Hamilton, a sister of Raymond Hamilton, and resides on Sarto #6, Box 111, West Dallas, Dallas, Texas. Brown was at first reluctant to make a statement or give any information in connection with the stolen rifles until he was given assurance by Special Agent C.B. Winstead and this Agent that his wife would not be prosecuted, where it was shown that she acted under his instructions and directions, and with this assurance Ernest Brown gave a written statement in connection with the stolen property which is set out herein as follows:

"Dallas, Texas,
April 16, 1934,

"I, ERNEST BROWN, herein state that I have been warned by Special Agents C.B. Winstead and F.S. Mann of the Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, that any statement I make can be used against me in Federal Court, without promise of immunity or coercion I give the following statement voluntarily:

"The first time I saw Raymond Hamilton, after he escaped from the penitentiary, was March 21, 1934, about 2: 0'clock PM. He drove to my house in a maroon-colored Chevrolet Sedan, at 3400 Beorn Ave. or Beorn St., Shreveport, La.

"Mary O'Dare was with him. They talked with my wife, (Lucy), a Mrs. McLaughan who lived across the street, and I for three or four minutes. I told Raymond I was going to Houston. He asked me what road I was going out. I already had my truck loaded at that time ready to move to Houston, Texas. I told him how I would go. Raymond said he would meet me out on the highway and we would talk.

"My wife and I, our three babies, and a boy by the name of Jack Branson, left Shreveport in my truck. About four or five miles out of Shreveport on the Airline Road, Raymond and Mary overtook us.

"We talked there for about 20 minutes. He said he had ordered some beer and sandwiches; that he would go back and get them then overtake us again and we would eat. Before leaving Raymond gave me \$5.00. He told me to buy him a hackshaw. I drove off and he turned back to Shreveport. When I got to Lagnasport, La. I purchased a hackshaw and six or seven blades at a hardware store. Raymond had said he was going to cut down a gun.

"We drove on in to Lufkin, Texas, and stayed all night at a tourist camp. The first one of three on the west side of Lufkin. Next morning we drove to Houston, reached Houston about 10: 0'clock.

He hadn't seen Raymond Hamilton and Mary since we left them about five miles out of Shreveport.

"I got a cabin at the Bracewell Tourist Camp at Harrisburg, on the Galveston Highway, 7 miles out of Houston. Branson took a room, I think at 1113 Broadway, Harrisburg.

"On the night of Wednesday, April 4th, some one knocked on the cabin door. My wife went to the door. It was Raymond. Raymond came inside. Mary was with him, but I don't think she came in. I dressed. Raymond said he wanted me to go with him. He got in his car - a Ford V-8 Sedan. Mary was with him. I got in my truck alone. He drove out the LaPorte Road. He followed me a short way, then took the lead. He went about 2 miles. He stopped. I pulled along side of his car. He (Raymond and Mary), unloaded all of his stuff out of the Ford into my truck. I set his grips and a quilt or two on the truck. Then we drove back to my cabin. When we first got there we all (Raymond, Mary and I), went in the cabin. He talked a while, had coffee and something to eat. It was about 9:30'clock that night when Raymond first came. It was about 10 or a little later when we got back to the cabin.

"While Raymond and Mary were there we unloaded all the stuff off of my truck, except his grips, and stored it in my cabin.

"Raymond and Mary wanted to go to town (Houston) and catch a train. He didn't care where the train was going.

"Raymond, Mary, my wife and youngest baby and I got in my truck and I drove to the hotel where Jack Branson was stopping on Broadway. I went to Jack's room and sent him to my cabin to stay with my children.

"I drove on with Raymond, Mary and my wife to Houston to a hotel four blocks off of Main on Preston (East of Main Street), where Raymond's father, J.M. (Doc) Hamilton, was staying. He works for the Trans-America Construction Company. I went up to Doc Hamilton's room and told him to come down as Raymond wanted to see him. He came down and talked five or ten minutes.

"I stayed there with Doc. My wife drove off in my truck with Raymond and Mary, as by that time Raymond had decided it was too dangerous to catch a train. They went on out to our cabin. Doc Hamilton got his Ford V-8 Truck and he and I went on out to the cabin. We all went inside my cabin. Raymond decided to go to Beaumont to catch a train. Raymond, Mary O'Hare, Jack Branson and my wife, Lucy, left in Jack's car for Beaumont. This was about 11:45 PM, Wednesday.

Raymond took a sawed-off shot gun and one automatic Browning Rifle, and a little green bag with ammunition and clips.

"My wife and Benson returned Thursday eve, April 8th about 4 PM. They stated they stopped in a tourist camp in Beaumont Wednesday night and drove on to Orange, Texas, the next morning where Raymond and Mary caught a train for New Orleans. Benson kept the shot gun which Raymond had given him.

"I loaded my car with our personal effects, also the two Browning Rifles Raymond had left with us, with the small green bag containing ammunition for the rifles with a number of Texas License Plates left by Raymond, and my wife left Houston the morning of April 8 for Dallas. Raymond gave us instructions to deliver these guns and ammunition to Floyd Hamilton.

"I left the following Monday morning for Shreveport, La. in the company truck and remained there until Tuesday night, and left that night, arriving in Dallas 7:15 Wednesday morning, April 11.

"My wife stated to me that Floyd was in jail and that my brother, Henry Brown, had taken the guns and ammunition and hid them."

(signed) ERNEST BROWN.

Witnesses:

F.S. Dunn, Special Agent, Division of Investigation, U.S. Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas.
Ed Carter, Deputy Sheriff, Dallas County, Dallas, Texas.

Henry Brown, brother of Ernest Brown, lives at the corner of Crossman & Second Streets, West Dallas, Dallas, Texas, is the subject who delivered the stolen rifles to the Sheriff's Office at Dallas. Upon being interviewed Henry Brown at first stated that he found these rifles, ammunition and Texas License Plates in the house that had been occupied by his brother Ernest Brown who had been absent approximately four months, and that he hid them in his barn, later removing them to the barn of Willie Robilio.

Upon being confronted with the statement secured from Ernest Brown, he then admitted that he had taken these guns from Ernest Brown's car, whose wife had driven in from Houston, Texas on that date, and hid them in the chicken yard at Willie Robilio's home about a quarter of a mile distance, and voluntarily signed the following statement:

"Dallas, Texas,
April 16, 1934.

"I, HENRY BROWN, her-in state that I have first been warned by Special Agent F.S. Dunn of the Division of Investigation, U.S. Department of Justice, that any statement I make can be used against me in Federal Court, and without promise of immunity or coercion I herein state as follows:

"That I am a brother of Ernest Brown, who married Lucy Hamilton, a sister of Raymond Hamilton.

"I reside at the corner of Groesman & Second Streets, West Dallas, Dallas, Texas, and my brother lives next door to me.

"My brother Ernest and his wife had been absent from Dallas for a period of about four months, and on the evening of April 6, 1934, Lucy Brown, arrived home from Houston, Texas, in the evening. About 8: o'clock that evening Lucy came over to my house and told me she had some guns and other stuff in her car and that she wanted me to get rid of them for her.

"I removed from her car two Browning Automatic Rifles, a little green bag containing a quantity of ammunition and clips and a number of Texas License Plates and a blanket and quilt which was wrapped around this stuff. I took this stuff over to Willie Robilio's house about a quarter of a mile away. I told Willie I had some guns and stuff I wanted to hide, and Willie said I could put them there but stated, "I want you to remove them tomorrow."

"We dug a hole in a chicken yard at Willie's house, where we buried the guns, ammunition and other stuff.

"Saturday morning after I arrived home I learned that the sheriff's Department had called my residence and wanted to see me. As I was on my way to the Sheriff's Office I met Deputy Sheriff Bill Decker. I then rode to the Sheriff's Office with Bill Decker, where Sheriff Schmid questioned me about these guns, and I told him they were in my possession and he permitted me to go back out to Willie's home and get the guns and other stuff which I brought to the Sheriff's Office.

"My sister-in-law, Lucy Brown, did not tell me where the guns and other stuff came from and I did not inquire of her."

(signed) HENRY BROWN.

Witnesses: F.S. DUNN, Special Agent,
Division of Investigation, U.S. Dept. of Justice, Dallas, Tex.
Ed Cester, Deputy Sheriff, Dallas County, Dallas, Texas.

Willie Robilio upon being interviewed made the following signed statement relative to the guns being hidden at his home:

Dallas, Texas,
April 17, 1934.

"I, WILLIE ROBILIO, herein state that I have been warned by Special Agent F.S. Dunn of the Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, that any statement I make can be used against me in Federal Court, without promise of immunity or coercion give the following statement voluntarily:

"I married Henry Brown's sister about seven years ago and was divorced during June, 1933. I reside on County Avenue, West Dallas, Dallas, Texas, and live about a quarter of a mile from Henry Brown's house.

"On Friday night, April 6, 1934, about 9: PM Henry Brown drove over to my house and told me that he had some guns and other stuff that he wanted me to hide for him. I did not question Brown concerning these guns but I understood him to say that he got them from "Glyde", and I consented to his leaving these guns under a promise that he would remove them the next day. Brown had one gun wrapped in a quilt and the other was exposed. He also had a small wooden box filled with shells and clips and another small package. He dug a hole in my barn and buried this stuff.

"On Sunday morning I discovered that the guns and other stuff were missing and I was told by Henry Brown that he got the guns Saturday night."

(Signed) WILLIE ROBILIO.

Witnesses:

F.S. DUNN, Special Agent, Division of Investigation, U.S. Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas.

Ed Carter, Deputy Sheriff, Dallas County, Dallas, Texas.

Mrs. Lucy Brown, the wife of Ernest Brown, was brought to the Dallas Division Office and questioned concerning the transportation of this property from Houston to Dallas, and the disposition thereof, and voluntarily made the following signed statement:

"Dallas, Texas,
April 16, 1934.

"Mrs. Lucy Brown states that I have read the statement made by my husband, Ernest Brown, dated April 16, 1934, witnessed by F.B. Dunn, Special Agent, Division of Investigation, U.S. Department of Justice, and Ed Caster, Deputy Sheriff, Dallas, Texas, which statement is true.

"I arrived from Houston to Dallas Friday, April 6, 1934, about 3 PM. I unloaded my personal effects and left the two guns, ammunition and other stuff received from my brother Raymond Hamilton, in the car. My mother told me Floyd Hamilton was arrested Thursday evening, the day before I arrived home. Raymond had requested me to turn the guns, ammunition and other stuff over to Floyd. I did not want this stuff around my house and I got Henry Brown, my husband's brother, to take the guns, ammunition and other stuff out of the car and get rid of it for me. After dark that night Henry took this stuff out of my car, he told me he had buried it. The guns were wrapped in blankets. I did not see them, however, I did see the little green bag also a number of license plates.

"On Wednesday night about midnight Raymond, Mary O'Dare, Jack Branson and myself left Houston in Doc Hamilton's V-8 Ford Truck for Beaumont, Texas. We all remained in a tourist camp 5 or 6 miles West of Beaumont. I believe it was the Blue Bird Camp. The next morning we drove to Orange, Texas, and Raymond and Mary boarded the train for New Orleans about 10:50 AM.

"On our return to Houston I saw two guns in the truck. Jack told me Raymond gave him the shot gun which he took with him upon our arrival in Houston, Texas. My husband transferred the other gun into our car."

(signed) MRS. LUCY BROWN.

Witnesses:

F.B. Dunn, Special Agent, Division of Investigation, U.S. Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas.

On April 17, 1934, Sheriff R.A. Schmid delivered to the writer one 45-calibre Automatic Colt's Army Pistol, model of 1911. Sheriff Schmid stated that on Wednesday, April 11, 1934 Jimmy LaMont was arrested by Bob Alcorn, Deputy Sheriff of Dallas, Texas, and that the above property was found by Mr. Alcorn in the barn at Jimmy LaMont's residence, and that this is one of the pistols which was stolen from the Armory at Ranger, Texas; that LaMont on being questioned stated that this was one of the guns which was taken from Floyd Hamilton's home and that LaMont implicated Raymond Hamilton, Clyde Barrow, Henry Methvin, Joe Palmer and Milton Rybee in the robbery of the Armory at Ranger, Texas.

On February 19, 1934, the Sheriff stated that shortly after the arrest of Lallant he was delivered to the Texas State Rangers who now have him in custody together with Floyd Hamilton and Steve Davis, the step-father of Floyd and Raymond Hamilton, stating that he does not know the present whereabouts of these prisoners, owing to the fact that the Rangers left Dallas County with the prisoners to avoid habeas corpus proceedings.

The 45-calibre automatic Colt's Pistol No. 838612, model of 1911, United States Army, bearing inscription U.S. Property, found by Deputy Sheriff Bob Alcorn, in the barn of Jimmy Lallant on April 11, 1934, was delivered to the writer by Sheriff Schaid on April 17, 1934, and is now in the possession of the Dallas Division Office.

Jesse Keathley was interviewed in connection with the above Government Property, and voluntarily signed the following statement:

"Dallas, Texas,
April 18, 1934.

"I, JESSE KEATHLEY, herein state that I reside at 118 County Ave., West Dallas, Dallas, Texas.

"Raymond Hamilton is my cousin, his mother and my mother are sisters.

"Floyd Hamilton, a brother of Raymond, lives about a block from my home.

"On Thursday evening, April 5, 1934, Floyd Hamilton was arrested with his step-father, Steve Davis, and on the following morning - April 6 - I saw Jimmy Lallant's Studebaker Coupe parked in front of Floyd Hamilton's home. Lallant served a term in the Texas Penitentiary with Raymond Hamilton and was released on the 10th of January, this year.

"I went to Floyd Hamilton's home, and Jimmy Lallant met me at the door with a gunny sack in his hand, which contained guns, and asked me to accompany him to the river. We proceeded to a point on the Trinity River about a mile and one half North from my home. Lallant removed from the sack five 45-army automatics and four German Lugers. He threw all of these guns except the one 45-army automatic which he kept, into the river. Lallant stated to me that he did not want the law to get these guns. He did not tell me where they came from and I did not question him. I understand that Lallant was subsequently arrested by the Sheriff's Department and some of the Texas Ranger's force."

(signed) JESSE KEATHLEY.

Witnesses:

F.S. Dunn, Special Agent, Division of Investigation, U.S. Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas.

Ed Carter, Deputy Sheriff, Dallas County, Dallas, Texas.

The signed statements quoted herein are furnished the United States Attorney's Office at Dallas.

Keathley stated that he had been supplying information to Denver Seale, investigator for the State District Attorney's Office of Dallas, and to Ed Carter, Deputy Sheriff of Dallas, in connection with the activities of Raymond Hamilton and his relatives with the purpose in view of apprehending Raymond Hamilton. He related that on the morning of April 2, 1934, Clyde Davis, a step-brother of Floyd Hamilton, came to Floyd's home in Dallas and told Floyd where Raymond would meet him; that Floyd Hamilton stated to Keathley that Raymond Hamilton had stayed at Clyde Davis' home in Dallas, Texas on Sunday night, April 1, 1934 (Easter Sunday), and that Mary Pitts was with Raymond.

Note: In connection with the above statement, it is known that Raymond Hamilton was in Houston at this time.

Keathley stated that about 3:30 PM on April 1 he (Keathley) left Dallas with Floyd Hamilton, Steve Davis and Jimmy LeGard; that they were to meet Raymond Hamilton between Gainesville, Texas and Henrietta, Oklahoma, but that they failed to make connections and that they returned to Dallas; that on this trip they drove to a point between Montague, Texas and Henrietta, Oklahoma, and Floyd Hamilton pointed out to them where they were supposed to meet Raymond Hamilton, which was between two pastures at a bridge between Montague and Henrietta, and that Floyd Hamilton had stated he had met Raymond Hamilton there several times.

Keathley further related that on the morning of April 3, 1934, between the hours of six and seven AM Joe Chambliss drove into Dallas from Wichita Falls, Texas, to the home of Floyd Hamilton; that he was driving a 1929 model A Ford Coach, and that Chambliss advised Floyd Hamilton that he could meet Raymond Hamilton at the same meeting place above described, at 1:00 PM that day, April 3. Keathley stated that he did not accompany Floyd Hamilton on this trip but that on the evening of April 3, 1934, Floyd Hamilton called him over to his home and told him that he had met Raymond and had traded automobile wheels with Raymond that day, giving Raymond a set of black wire wheels which Floyd had on his Model A Coupe at the time, which set of wheels came off of a V-8 Ford stolen by Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker in Louisiana; that at this time Floyd Hamilton had a set of yellow wire wheels on his car which he stated came off of the V-8 Ford driven by Raymond Hamilton and which Raymond had stolen at Houston, Texas, after the bank robbery at West, Texas. Keathley stated that he helped Floyd change the set of yellow wire wheels for the original set of wheels which came on Floyd Hamilton's car, and that these yellow wheels were placed in Floyd's barn.

Keathley further related that while he was in Floyd Hamilton's home during this time he saw a number of army automatic pistols and a Browning Automatic Rifle in Floyd's house and that Baldy Whetley had bought the Browning Automatic Rifle from Floyd; that as far as he was able to do so he reported these facts to Denver Seale and Ed Carter and that on Friday morning, April 6, 1934, the officers raided Floyd's house, arresting Floyd Hamilton and Steve Davis, his step-father, but that the officers

failed to find the guns but did recover the set of yellow wire wheels; that on the following morning, April 6, he informed Ed Carter, Deputy Sheriff, that Jimmy Lelmont had told him Floyd Hamilton had hidden the guns between the partition in the bathroom over the door on the right hand side of Floyd Hamilton's home. Keethley stated he only lives a block from Floyd Hamilton's house and that on the morning of April 7, 1934, he saw Lelmont's Studebaker Car parked in front of Floyd Hamilton's house; that he went over and met Lelmont coming out of the house with a gunny sack and Lelmont asked him to go to the river where the guns, with the exception of one 45-calibre automatic pistol, were thrown into the river by Lelmont.

Keethley stated that the officers were delayed for some reason or other and failed to reach Floyd Hamilton's home before Lelmont took the guns and that the reason he accompanied Lelmont was to learn what disposition was made of them.

Mr. Denver Seale and Ed Carter verified the fact that Keethley had been supplying them with information in connection with the above matters, and it was through information which they obtained from Keethley that the raid was made and Floyd Hamilton and Steve Davis were arrested; that they were delayed in making a search of Floyd Hamilton's home of the guns reported to them by Keethley and that Lelmont had disposed of them before they arrived at Floyd's home.

Keethley further related that on Thursday, January 11, 1934, Lelmont came to his home on his way to the home of Floyd Hamilton; that Floyd who operates a truck for the A & P Stores, laid off work on that day, and on Friday, January 12, 1934, Keethley stated that he saw Lelmont, Floyd Hamilton and his wife leave the Hamilton home about 4:00'clock AM; that they returned that same night, and on Saturday morning, January 13, 1934, Floyd and his wife left home, returning late that evening, and arranged with Keethley and his wife to take care of their children, Floyd stating they were arranging a trip to Texas State Penitentiary at Huntsville, Texas, to visit Raymond Hamilton, and that Floyd Hamilton and his wife left their home January 14, 1934 about 6: AM and returned home Sunday evening late and got the children; that on Monday morning, January 15, 1934, Floyd Hamilton stripped his car of all extras and removed the truck.

The prison break in which Raymond Hamilton escaped, took place on January 16, 1934; that on January 26, 1934, Keethley stated that Floyd Hamilton arranged to take Raymond some clothing; that on his return that same night Floyd told Keethley that he had been stripped and searched but allowed to proceed; that he had met Raymond Hamilton, Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker that night and had delivered the clothing to Raymond.

Keethley further stated that some time after the robbery of the bank at Lancaster, Texas, in a conversation he had with Floyd, Floyd told him that Raymond Hamilton and Clyde Barrow had broken up and were not together; that they fell out over the division of the money which had been taken from the Lancaster Bank, Clyde wanting to split the money three ways - among Raymond, Bonnie and himself.

Keathley stated he and Floyd Hamilton are cousins, and that his wife and Floyd's wife are sisters.

Raymond Hamilton has an uncle, Jess Hamilton, and grandfather Hamilton who live close to Shulter, Okla., down on the river. Shulter is close to Henrietta, Okla.

Raymond Hamilton's uncle, Joe Reddick, lives West of Henrietta, Okla., about four miles.

Mrs. W.C. Wilcox, Raymond's cousin, lives on Route #1, Bealeton, Okla.

Raymond Hamilton has a sister, Marie, whose husband's name is Jake - last name unknown - who lives two miles East of Mineola, Texas, on the right hand side going out.

The facts developed herein were submitted to Assistant U.S. Attorney, Clyde Hood, of Dallas, Texas, who authorized complaint to be filed against Ernest Brown, Henry Brown and Willie Mobilio, charging them with the illegal possession of stolen Government Property, which complaint was filed by the writer before Lee H. Smith, U.S. Commissioner at Dallas, Texas, on April 18, 1934, which subjects were arraigned on the same date, pled guilty and were committed to the Dallas County Jail in default of \$1500.00 bond each to await the action of the Grand Jury at Dallas, Texas, at the May, 1934, Term of Court.

The 1934 Texas License Plates which were recovered from Henry Brown, are numbered as follows:

14-061
7-242
842-031
750-900
751-204
259-777
829-861.

Descriptions:

Name: Ernest (Buster) Brown
Res.: Route #8, Box #111, Dallas, Tex.
Age: 28
Ht.: 5' 7"
Wt.: 150
Build: Medium

Hair: Lt. Brown

Eyes: blue

Comp.: med.

Scars: Ct. Sc. 2 in. back left head

Occ.: laborer

Marital status: married

Education: 6th grade

Relatives: Parents: Mr. & Mrs. Edgar F. Brown,
Route #6, Box #111, Dallas, Texas.

Brothers: Leonard Brown, above address

Henry " " "

Albert " " "

E. F. " " "

Clarence " " "

Howard " " "

Roy " " "

Sisters: Mrs. H.S. (Sadie) Martin,
Elmwood (Oak Cliff) Dallas

Husband (telegraph operator
at Western Union)

" Mrs. Elsie Robilio, Rt. 6, Box 111

Mrs. Sam (Clarice) Cidner, Dallas.

(Husband employed by Hunting Market)

Samuel Brown, above address

Katherine Brown " "

F.P.C.: 17/ $\frac{1}{1}$ $\frac{U}{T}$ $\frac{7}{7}$

Criminal records:

Arr. PD, Mesquite, Texas, about 1922 or 1923 - riding
freight train; released. Fingerprinted and description.

Arr. PD, Dallas, 1925, 1926, 1927 for drunk, fighting
and burglary; released; dismissed.

Arr. 4-11-34 by S.O., Dallas, receiving and concealing
stolen Government Property; transferred to Federal
authorities. M.O. Guns stolen from armory at Ranger, Tex.

Prints and Photos forwarded to Identification Unit of
the Division at Washington by Dallas PD on 4-12-34.

Name: Henry Brown

Age: 26 years

Ht.: 5' 5"

Wt.: 215

Build: stout

Hair: dk. Br.

Eyes: gray

Comp.: dark

Marital status: wife & 3 children

Occ.: gravel hauler
Education: John Henry Brown Grade School, 3rd grade
Cement City School, West Dallas, 8th grade
Residence: 2nd & Crossman Streets, Rt. 6, Box 111, Dallas
Marks: 1 large vac. cir. ct. sc at base thumb nail.
F.P.C.:

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Criminal record: Arr 4-14-34 S.O., Dallas, Texas, receiving and concealing stolen Government Property; transferred to Federal authorities; M.O. Guns stolen from Armory at Bangor, Texas.

Name: Willie Robilio
Age: 28
Ht.: 6' 9"
Wt.: 170
Build: medium
Hair: dark
Eyes: gray
Occ.: truck gardener
Comp.: ruddy
Marital status: single
Residence: County Ave., Route #6, Dallas, Texas.
Born: Memphis, Tenn.
Education: 3rd grade
Parents: dead
Brothers: Lewis, butcher, Ft. Worth, Texas.
Frank, trucker, Dallas, Texas.
Joe, Memphis, Tenn.
Angelo, Memphis, Tenn.
Gene, Memphis, Tenn., truck farmer
Pete, Memphis, Tenn., works for uncle in some store at Memphis.
Sisters: Mrs. Lena Coakle, Memphis, Tenn.
Louise Cowan, "
Mrs. Dave Rogers, " " (garage owner.)
Mrs. Evelyn Maze, Memphis - Millit Maze in penitentiary.
Mrs. O'Dell Roach, County Ave., truck driver for Oriental Oil Co.
Rosie Robedy, Dallas - works Brown Cracker Co.
Divorced from wife Miss Brown, one child 6 years old lives with Leonard Brown, Crossman St.

Dallas P.D. #12207.

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Arr.: 4-14-34 - S.O., Dallas, Texas, receiving and concealing stolen Government Property; transferred to Federal Authorities; M.O. Guns stolen from Amory at Ranger, Texas.

Name: Jess Keathley
Age: 22
Ht.: 5' 8"
Wt.: 170
Build: medium
Hair: Lt. Br.
Eyes: blue
Comp.: medium
Marital status: wife, 3 children - boy 7, boy 3, girl 2.
Res.: 115 County Ave., W. Dallas, Texas.
Parents: Mother - Mrs. Bertha Castell, block south of Pennsylvania Ave. School & 3 blocks East.
Father: O.D. Keathley, Oak Cliff, Lakeside Laundry, Dallas, Texas.

Name: Joe Palmer
Texas S.P. Nos. 47819, 87840, 61458.
Age: 27 (1909)
Ht.: 5' 6 1/2"
Wt.: 135
Hair: blonde
Eyes: blue Gr.
Comp.: fair
Nativity: Okla.
Scars: III sm. ct. rt. center forehead. Irregular cut near rt. side of nose.
F.P.C.: EE/ ES I E4
19 I E1.
Relatives: Chas. & Nora Palmer (mother & father), San Antonio, Texas, 1748 Division Ave.
Fey Hall (sister), San Antonio, Texas, 1722 W. Kimble Ave.

Occ.: Printer
Marital status: single
Residence: Ft. Worth, Texas.
Criminal record: 3-21-29, rec'd Huntsville, Texas, Prison from Limestone Co., crime robbery with firearms; sentence 25 years.
1-16-34 escaped from Lantham State Farm.

Name: Henry Mathvin

Age: 20 (1931)

Ht.: 5' 9 1/2"

Wt.: 170

Hair: brown

Eyes: blue

Comp.: fair

Nativity: Louisiana.

Tattoo: dagger pierced heart & lire "LOWE" rt fs. inner.

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Criminal record: 2-21-31 received Huntsville Texas Prison from Refugio Co., crime theft & assault to murder; sentence 10 years.

1-16-34 escaped from Madison State Farm.

Relatives: L.T. Mathvin (f) Avie Mathvin (m)

Cecil Mathvin (b) Terrel Mathvin (b) all of Coushatta, La.

Name: Raymond Hamilton

Dallas PD #10361

Age: 19 (1922)

Ht.: 5' 6 1/2"

Wt.: 128

Hair: blonde

Eyes: blue

Comp.: med.

Build: slender

Res.: WFD #6, Box 101, Dallas, Texas.

Nativity: Beloithe, Okla.

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Criminal record:

12-6-32 arrested at Bay City, Mich., and returned to Dallas, charge robbery with firearms; 2 banks and one pay roll.

9-30-31 tried in Dallas District Court No. 2 - Judge Pippam, theft over \$20.00 - automobile; 3 years in State Penitentiary; suspended.

1-27-32 McKinney, Texas, S.O. #1884; auto theft;
broke jail.

10-30-33 Texas State Pen. #74511 - Fayette & Hill Counties -
robbery by firearms and murder; sentenced life.

1-18-34 escaped Eastern State Pen.

Name: Clyde Champion Barrow

Age: 28

Ht.: 5' 7"

Wt.: 150

Build: med.

Hair: dark brown, wavy, reported dyed black

Eyes: hazel

Comp.: light; marks, shield and anchor with U.S.N. on
right forearm outer; girl's bust left inner fore-
arm;

residence: West Dallas, Texas.

Relatives: Mrs. Gennie F. Barrow, mother, R.R. 6, Dallas.

I.C. Barrow, brother, R.R. 6, Dallas.

Mrs. Ortie Wilber, sister, Denison, Tex.

Mrs. Clyde Barrow, alias Bonnie Parker,

probably accompanying Barrow.

Mrs. Dora Parker, mother of Mrs. Clyde Barrow,
Dallas, Texas.

Criminal record:

As Clyde C. Barrow, No. 6048, arr. PD, Dallas, Texas,
12-3-36; charge, auto theft; indictment dismissed.

As Clyde Champion Barrow, No. 4316, arr. PD, Ft. Worth,
Texas, 2-22-38; charge, investigation; dismissed.

As Clyde Barrow, No. 6048, arr. PD, Dallas, Texas, 10-18-33
charge attempted burglary and safe burglary; indictment
quashed.

As Clyde Barrow, alias Elvin Williams, No. 414, arr.
PD, Waco, Texas, 2-4-30; charge, burglary; sentence 14 years
Texas State Pen.; escaped County Jail, Waco, Texas, 2-11-30.

As Clyde Barrow, No. 768, arr. PD Middletown, Ohio,
3-18-30; charge, fugitive.

As Clyde Barrow, No. 63527, received Texas State Pen.,
Huntsville, Texas, 4-21-30 from McLennan Co.; charge,
burglary, theft over and from the person; sentence 14
years (7-2's, cum); paroled 2-2-32.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

SAN ANTONIO OFFICE interview Jack Brunson, who registered at a hotel located at 1115 Broadway, Harrisburg, Texas, in connection with his activities as outlined in the statement of Ernest Brown. Also, secure the names and addresses of individuals from the Texas State Highway Department at Austin, Texas, to whom the following 1934 license plates were issued:

14-031
7-242
842-031
750-900
731-204
339-777
827-861.

WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE is requested to check the numbers of the rifles and 45 automatic Colts and establish to whom they were issued, with dates, etc. It is desired that the following Government Property be checked:

- 1 Browning Automatic Rifle 30-06, No. 281907
- 1 " " " " " " No. 71873
- 1 45-automatic Colt, No. 839612, model 1911, U.S. Army.

PENDING.

SUITE 1 FEDERAL BUILDING
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI
APRIL 18, 1934.

Director
Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

RE: CLYDE CHARLTON BARROW, with aliases,
FUGITIVE I.O.#1211, ET AL
NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT

Reference is made to report of Special Agent B.E. Allen at Kansas City, dated 4-12-34, page 4, paragraph 1, wherein Sheriff Dean Rogers, Topeka, Kansas, had advised that a 1934 Pontiac two door Coach, motor number 890274, the property of C. W. Page was stolen on the night of April 7, 1934.

Mr. C. W. Page, employed by the Gitting Motor Company, when interviewed advised that the motor number had been erroneously reported and that the correct motor number of the Pontiac Coach is 990244 and the serial number is 841047.

This information is being submitted to the interested offices for their information.

Very truly yours,

M. C. LEWIS, ACTING
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

BR:as
cc - Oklahoma City
San Antonio
Birmingham
Dallas
St. Paul
Salt Lake City
El Paso
New Orleans
St. Louis

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U. S. Department of Justice
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
Bureau of Investigation
P. O. Box 1276
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
April 19, 1934

HMH:CG
26-3779

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Building,
Dallas, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Re: Clyde Barrow, w. a. - Fugitive,
I. O. #1211, et al.
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act

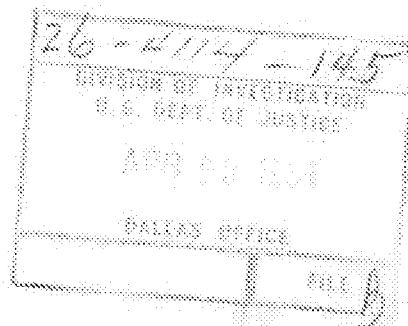
There is returned herewith the photograph of
Henry Mathvin which you forwarded to Special Agent
H. E. Hollis of the Oklahoma City Division Office at
Tulsa, Oklahoma on April 14, 1934 so that Agent Hollis
could exhibit same to Chief of Police Percy Boyd at
Commerce, Oklahoma in connection with the investigation
of the above-entitled case.

Very truly yours,

E. M. Hack

EARLE M. HACK,
Acting Special Agent in Charge.

1 Enc.
CC Division



420 Federal Building,
Dallas, Texas.

April 20, 1934.

Mr. D.E. Price,
Route No. 1,
Mansfield, Texas.

Dear Sir:

With reference to your conversation today with Mr. McCormack of this office, I would appreciate your sending me the name and location of all relatives of Bonnie Parker known to you.

I am sending you herewith some addressed envelopes which require no postage, in order that you may transmit any information you get concerning the Barrow matter.

Very truly yours,

F.J. FLAKE,
Special Agent in Charge.

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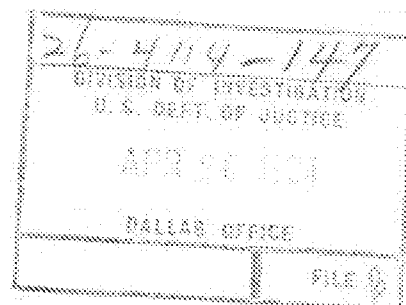
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MEMORANDUM.

Kansas City, Missouri.
April 18, 1934.

RE: CLYDE CHARLTON BARROW,
with aliases, I O LELL, FUGITIVE
ET AL.
NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT.

On April 17, 1934, Mr. H. L. Duncan, Acting Investigator in Charge of the Alcoholic Beverage Unit, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, Kansas City, Missouri, turned over to the undersigned several slips of paper containing notes made by W. W. Thomason, Prohibition Agent, stationed at Columbus, Kansas, relative to the above named individual and his associates.

Thomason advised that John Moore, a cousin of Bonnie Parker, lives just across the river on the north side of Fort Scott, Kansas; further informing that Clyde Barrow usually stopped at Moore's place in passing through that part of the country. The place is located on Highway No. 73, near where the road turns north after crossing the river enroute to Kansas City, Missouri.

Mr. Thomason further advised that Clyde Barrow has a stopping place in or near Hardwick's Tourist Camp about one-half mile west of where Highway No. 73 turns north going to Kansas City, just across the river, on the north side of Fort Scott, Kansas, near the railroad shops. Barrow stopped at this hold-out, according to Mr. Thomason, when he had the Chief of Police of "Fisher, Oklahoma, with him;" (apparently means "of Commerce, Oklahoma,") and sent uptown for some medicine for the wounded officer's head.

Mr. Thomason further states the man named VANCE lives about four and one-half miles south of Fort Scott, Kansas, on the Pittsburg, Kansas, road, the "Million Dollar" cut-off road. Vance's wife works in the "over-alls" factory in Fort Scott, Kansas. This place is a hold-out of Clyde Barrow, according to Mr. Thomason, Barrow having stopped at this place the day after releasing the wounded Oklahoma offise. Barrow is said to frequently stop at this place. He stayed there on Sunday after the murder of Cal Campbell, Constable, at Fisher, Oklahoma (Thomason undoubtedly means Commerce, Oklahoma); Vance has one blind eye, the eye-ball being white; he would be about 35 years of age.

Respectfully submitted,

H. C. SPEAR, ACTING,
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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36-4397- CC-2 Division 8-Dallas
2 Oklahoma City
2 Kansas City

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Patrons should check class of service desired; otherwise message will be transmitted as a full-rate communication.

WESTERN UNION

R. B. WHITE
PRESIDENT

NEWCOMB CARLTON
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

J. C. WILLEVER
FIRST VICE PRESIDENT

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Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

DALLAS TEXAS APRIL 20 1934

R WHITLEY
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
U S DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
3426 POST OFFICE BUILDING
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PARTIES WILL ARRIVE SHREVEPORT SATURDAY INSTEAD OF TODAY NOTIFY KINDRELL

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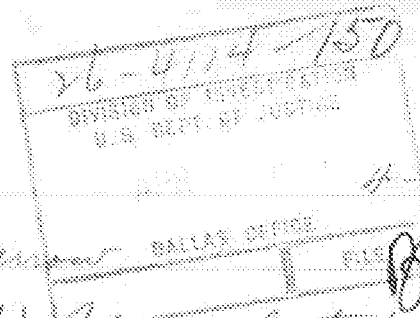
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FJB:LMF 3:25 PM

cc Division RE: Clyde C. Barrow, I.O. #1211; etal MEVTA

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WESTERN UNION GIFT ORDERS ARE APPROPRIATE GIFTS FOR ALL OCCASIONS



Re: Clyde Barker

4-20-34

Talked to D. E. (Earl) Price, Route 1, Mansfield, Tex. He stated his wife is a distant cousin of Bonnie Parker, and a relative named Parker lives about 2 miles East of Finco near Denton & Collin County line which he believes is a hideout for Clyde & Bonnie. He knows Joe and Jack Watts, friends of Clyde, who live in Fortesco (phonetic) Heights, Ft. Worth and may get some information from them. They will not talk to officers. He believes he can get some information that will help us and will send it in. He will try to give us names & locations of all Bonnie's relatives.

Price expects to be in Dallas soon and will call at the office.

At the present time he knows nothing of value but is willing to try to get something from the relatives of his wife. The wife will help him.

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April 20, 1934

Mr. Frank Winstead,
Department of Justice,
Dallas, Texas.

Dear Sir:

I got information from C. C. Baggett, who lives on the same street in Dallas that Clyde Barrow's people live on that one of Clyde's hiding places is at Blooming Grove, Navarro County, at a country house in which a party by the name of Jim Smith resides.

I am sure you will remember meeting me at the Liberty Hotel one day with Special Ranger Dick Hamilton.

I will be in Dallas one day next week and drop by to see you. Any information that I might come in contact with, I will immediately let you know.

Yours very truly,

J. N. Baxter
J. N. Baxter

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT DALLAS, TEXAS

FILE NO. 26-3779

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| REPORT MADE AT: Oklahoma City, Okla. | DATE WHEN MADE: 4/19/34 | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 4/6-9/34 | REPORT MADE BY: H. E. Hollis |
| TITLE: CLYDE BARROW, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. #1211, et al. | | | CHARACTER OF CASE: NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT. |

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Clyde Barrow, Bonnie Parker, and a man tentatively identified as Henry Methvin killed Cal Campbell, Constable, Commerce, Okla., wounded and kidnaped Chief of Police Percy Boyd, Commerce, Okla. about 9:30 a. m. 4-6-34 at a point near Commerce, Okla. Pieces of a letter believed to have been thrown away by Barrow and his companions during their flight, found and forwarded to Division for examination in technical laboratory. Efforts to apprehend Barrow, Bonnie Parker and Methvin after shooting at Miami, Oklahoma without results.

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DETAILS:

Mr. Perry Porter, County Attorney at Miami, Oklahoma, notified this agent at Tulsa, Oklahoma by telephone on the morning of April 6, 1934, that Constable Cal Campbell of Commerce, Oklahoma had been shot and killed, and that Chief of Police Percy Boyd of Commerce, Oklahoma had been wounded and kidnaped by two men and a woman. Mr. Porter further advised that witnesses to the shooting had positively identified photographs of Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker, but that the identity of the other man was not known, although there was a possibility that it was Jim Clark. The shooting occurred at a point southwest of Commerce, Oklahoma. Barrow and his companions, according to Mr. Porter, were driving a Ford V-8 Sedan, black color, and equipped with yellow wire wheels. They were last reported seen in the vicinity of Welch, Oklahoma.

The above information was immediately transmitted by telephone to Special Agent in Charge Dwight Brantley at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma who instructed that an immediate and vigorous investigation be made in an effort

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| APPROVED AND FORWARDED: | Acting SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE | DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES 26-4114-152 DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION APR 20 1934 DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE ROUTED TO: FILE | RECORDED AND INDEXED CHECKED OFF: JACKETED: |
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to apprehend Clyde Barrow and his accomplices.

Special Agent in Charge Dwight Brantley contacted the Sheriff's Office and Police Department at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, each of which has a broadcasting station, and requested them to broadcast the above report. All of the local broadcasting stations in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma were contacted and their cooperation enlisted. Special Agent in Charge Dwight Brantley also communicated with Mr. Barry of the broadcasting station at Fort Smith, Arkansas, and enlisted his cooperation. The broadcasting stations at Fayetteville, Arkansas and Ponca City, Oklahoma were also contacted, and all Peace Officers in the vicinity were notified.

This agent, accompanied by Chief of Detectives Sam Brown, Captain of Detectives George Stewart and Detective Henry Chase proceeded to Welch, Oklahoma and there met a group of officers from Miami, Oklahoma who stated that it had been reported that the Ford V-8 Sedan which Barrow was driving was last seen going in a westerly direction from Bartlett, Kansas. In company with the officers above mentioned, investigation was made in the territory surrounding Bartlett, Kansas, Coffeyville, Chetopa and Mound Valley, Kansas, and also Independence, Kansas. All roads were searched in an effort to locate Clyde Barrow and his companions without results.

At Mound Valley, Kansas, inquiry was made at the Wilcox Filling Station, and information was received from Mr. Archie Shomber that at about 11:45 a. m. on April 6, 1934, a Ford V-8 Coach drove into the station and one man got out of the car and ordered gasoline. This man seemed to be in a great hurry and the car he was driving was very muddy and it was impossible to see into the car. However, Mr. Shomber stated that he was positive that there were others in the car. At the time Mr. Shomber was interviewed, agent did not have in his possession photographs of the parties involved; however, Special Agent in Charge E. E. Conroy of the Kansas City Division Office whom agent contacted at Coffeyville, Kansas, later instructed Special Agent E. C. Reed of the Kansas City Office to return to Mound Valley, Kansas and exhibit photographs of Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker, and the results of this investigation will be reported by the Kansas City Division Office. It was ascertained from Mr. Shomber that at the time the Ford V-8 Coach was driven into his filling station, it was bearing a 1934 Oklahoma license, Number 231-047. Mr. Shomber stated that after the car was filled with gasoline, it proceeded West on the highway leading to Independence, Kansas, and as stated previously, a search was made in the vicinity of Independence without results.

Mr. James E. Allen, rural mail carrier, Chetopa, Kansas, was interviewed, and he stated that he was traveling on his mail route at about 10:30 a. m. on the morning of April 6, 1934 at a point south of Chetopa, Kansas in Oklahoma, and he met a Ford V-8 Sedan which was very muddy and traveling at a high rate of speed going west. Mr. Allen stated that he observed that there was a man and a woman in the front seat of this car, and he could see one man in the back of the car. The car was seen by Mr. Allen at a point approximate-

ly eleven and one-half miles east of the home of Ab Clark. The home of Ab Clark is located five miles south and six miles west of Chetopa, Kansas on Rural Route number 4 in the State of Oklahoma. Mr. Allen further advised that he subsequently learned that Ab Clark is an uncle of Jim Clark, an escaped convict from the Kansas State Penitentiary. At the time Mr. Allen saw the above-described Ford V-8 Sedan, it was proceeding in the direction of the home of Ab Clark.

This agent, accompanied by a group of officers, together with Special Agent in Charge E. E. Conroy of the Kansas City Division Office and Agents B. R. Allen and R. G. Reed of the Kansas City Division Office, made a raid on the home of Ab Clark on the night of April 6, 1934. However, there was no one found at this place except Ab Clark. Ab Clark was interviewed and he stated that he had not seen any of the parties involved. He admitted that he is an uncle of Jim Clark, but stated that he had not seen Jim Clark for several years past.

Sheriff Dee Watters, and Undersheriff C. G. Walker, Miami, Oklahoma, while searching for Clyde Barrow and his companions in the vicinity of Bartlett, Kansas, found several scraps of paper in the road. These scraps of paper were pieced together, but some portions of the paper were missing. This note or letter relates to the activities of the "B -- Gang". It is being forwarded to the Division for examination in the technical laboratory.

On the night of April 6, 1934 and the morning of April 7th, all roads in the northern section of Oklahoma were blocked.

Mr. Jack Boydston, 407 South River Street, Commerce, Oklahoma, was interviewed. He stated that he resides approximately one-half mile from the point where the shooting of Cal Campbell took place, and that the shooting occurred shortly after nine o'clock on the morning of April 6, 1934. After he heard the shots, he proceeded to the vicinity of the shooting and immediately upon his arrival there, he was covered with a gun by a man whom he identified from a photograph as Clyde Barrow. At the time Mr. Boydston arrived at the scene of the shooting, Percy Boyd, Chief of Police, Commerce, Oklahoma, was endeavoring to push the Ford V-8 Sedan which was in possession of Clyde Barrow, out of the mud. Boydston was instructed by Barrow to assist Boyd. Boydston also identified the photograph of Bonnie Parker. He stated that she was sitting at the wheel of the Ford V-8 Sedan, and that another man was outside of the car brandishing a gun. About this time, several other people appeared, and they were covered by Clyde Barrow and his companions and forced to assist in pushing the car out of the mud. The car, according to Mr. Boydston, was a Ford V-8 Sedan, black body and yellow wire wheels. After the car was released from the mud, it proceeded east a very short distance and then turned around and went west on the same road. Mr. Boydston stated that the man whom he identified as Barrow was barefooted, and he observed that the left big toe of Barrow was amputated. Mr. Boydston further stated that he observed two white rabbits in the back of the Barrow car. He also stated that he can

positively state that Clyde Barrow and his companion both had Browning machine-gun rifles. Mr. Boydston stated that when Barrow left the scene of the shooting, he told him, Boydston, "Tell the other laws if they do not bother us, we will turn this law (meaning Percy Boyd) loose, but if they bother us, we will kill him." According to Boydston, when the Ford V-8 Sedan was driven away, Barrow was driving and Bonnie Parker was sitting in the front seat with him, and Percy Boyd was in the rear with the other man. Boydston stated that Barrow apparently got very nervous just before the car was released from the mud. However, Bonnie Parker was very calm as was the other man. Barrow did all of the talking. Mr. Boydston further stated that he recalled that while they were endeavoring to release the car from the mud, Barrow called his companion "Ray." Among those assisting in releasing the Barrow car from the mud were Charlie Dodson, Commerce, Oklahoma, W. F. Hughes, Commerce, Oklahoma, Wesley Hurst, Commerce, Oklahoma, Ernie Foster and Henry Neff, Commerce, Oklahoma.

The Sheriff's Office at Miami, Oklahoma received a report about five a. m. on the morning of April 7, 1934 that Percy Boyd had been released by Clyde Barrow and his companions near Fort Scott, Kansas, and arrangements were made to have Boyd brought to Miami, Oklahoma for interview.

Percy Boyd was interviewed by this agent at the Sheriff's Office, Miami, Oklahoma in the presence of Sheriff Des Watters and Deputy Sheriff Gerald Hodge. He stated that shortly after nine o'clock on the morning of April 6, 1934, he was in a barber shop at Commerce, Oklahoma when Cal Campbell came in and stated that he had received a report from Bill Cox to the effect that there were two men and a woman parked in a car a short distance west of Commerce, and that they were acting suspiciously. Boyd and Campbell went to the place where this car was parked. They observed that the car was facing east, and as they approached, a woman who was sitting at the wheel put the car in reverse and started backing up at a high rate of speed. Campbell and Boyd jumped out of the car in which they were riding, and drew their pistols and fired at the fleeing car. Immediately, the fire was returned and two men got out of the other car, which was a Ford V-8 Tudor Sedan, and began firing at Boyd and Campbell. Boyd and Campbell fell to the ground to protect themselves, and while lying on the ground, Campbell was shot and killed and Boyd received a scalp wound. Percy Boyd positively identified the photographs of Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker, and he stated that the other man was referred to as "Henry" by Barrow and Bonnie Parker. After Campbell was shot and killed, Barrow, at the point of a gun, forced Boyd into the Ford V-8 Sedan and they then drove away at a high rate of speed. Boyd stated that they traveled all day long and remained chiefly on side roads. They proceeded west from Commerce, Oklahoma, and then passed through Bartlett, Kansas and went west and then north. According to Boyd, the car was covered with mud, and he was unable to see out of the car to determine what towns they passed through. Boyd stated that immediately after the shooting occurred and he was forced into the car, Barrow stated that he was anxious to get into Kansas. Boyd further stated that Barrow talked freely about the shooting scrape he, Barrow, Bonnie Parker,

Buck Barrow and his wife had with the officers at Joplin, Missouri.

At the time Boyd was interviewed, he was in a very nervous condition, and it was difficult to secure a connected story from him.

Percy Boyd also stated that Clyde Barrow drove the car all day on April 6, 1934 after the shooting, and that he stopped three times to purchase gasoline. Boyd also stated that Barrow and Bonnie Parker advised him that they were not connected with the killing of the officers in Texas recently. Boyd also stated that Barrow stopped the car some place in Kansas and the man referred to as "Henry" got out and went into a filling station and secured a Kansas road map. He further stated that there were two bullet holes in the windshield, and that these holes were plugged up with mud by Barrow. Percy Boyd further stated that Barrow drove into Fort Scott, Kansas between seven and eight p. m. on the night of April 6, 1934, and while there, purchased a quantity of groceries and also a newspaper, and then drove out of town where they had some sandwiches to eat. After eating, Barrow drove back into Fort Scott, Kansas and drove around town for quite a while, and at about 11:30 p. m., they drove out of town and Boyd was released about seven miles out of Fort Scott, Kansas near a main highway which was either number U. S. 73 or State Highway number 7. Boyd stated that when he was released, Barrow told him, "You can tell the officers anything you want to, but be sure you tell them the truth. We would not have fired a shot if the old man (meaning Cal Campbell) had not come out of his car with his pistol." Boyd further stated that Bonnie Parker told him that she wanted him to put an end to the story that she smoked cigars, as she did not.

On April 9, 1934, a photograph of Henry Methvin was exhibited to Percy Boyd and to Jack Boydston, and both stated that they were reasonably sure that Henry Methvin was the man companion of Clyde Barrow at the time the shooting occurred near Commerce, Oklahoma on April 6, 1934.

Boyd advised that Barrow told him that he, Barrow, and the man referred to as "Henry" fired two clips each from the Browning automatic rifles, or a total of eighty shots. Boyd observed three Browning automatic rifles, one Remington rifle, two automatic shotguns, two 45 calibre automatic pistols, and a suitcase full of ammunition in the Ford V-8 Sedan belonging to Barrow. There were also two suitcases which Boyd believes contained wearing apparel. There was a blanket thrown over the guns in the back of the car, and Boyd advised that there may have been other guns, but he could not see them. When Barrow stopped to purchase gasoline, Boyd was forced to lie down in the car and he was covered with a coat or blanket so that he could not be seen. Boyd further stated that there was one white rabbit in the car which belonged to Bonnie Parker. During the day of April 6, 1934, Boyd stated that Bonnie Parker, in conversation, said that her mother raised white rabbits and Boyd, therefore,

assumes that the mother of Bonnie Parker sent the white rabbit to her. Bonnie Parker also said, "We have lots of friends in Texas." According to Percy Boyd, Clyde Barrow, Bonnie Parker or Henry Methvin did not indicate at any time while he was with them where they intended to go or where they had been staying. Boyd also said that Bonnie Parker was the first to fire on him and Campbell the morning of the shooting, and that she used a shotgun. While Boyd was in the car with Barrow and his companions, Barrow remonstrated with Bonnie Parker for shooting so quickly. Barrow told her that in the future, she was not to do any shooting until he told her to.

Barrow discussed with Boyd the finding of a Ford Coupe near Miami, Oklahoma several months ago, and Barrow said that this car belonged to him. Prior to the time Barrow released Boyd near Fort Scott, Kansas, he was given a shirt and tie as his own shirt and tie were covered with blood from the wound in his head. Boyd further stated that Barrow made no effort to cover any great distance in his getaway, but as stated previously, remained on side roads and many times stopped to rest for as long as thirty minutes to an hour at a time, and Barrow stated that they could "make their miles" at night.

Bill Cox who resides south of Miami, Oklahoma was interviewed, and he stated that on the early morning of April 6, 1934, he was going to the home of J. H. LaDuke to purchase a calf, and enroute to the LaDuke home, he passed a Ford V-8 Sedan which was parked along the road and occupied by two men and a woman. On the return trip to Miami, Oklahoma, he observed the car had left, but again saw it parked at the point where the shooting occurred. At this time, the men were apparently sleeping, and the woman was sitting at the wheel of the car. The wife of Bill Cox who was with him at the time, made a notation of the license number on the Ford V-8 Sedan. This license number was 231 A 047, Oklahoma 1934. Cox then drove into Commerce, Oklahoma and reported to Cal Campbell, the Constable there, that he had seen some suspicious looking characters on the road.

Mr. J. C. Robertson, Commerce, Oklahoma, was interviewed. Mr. Robertson resides a short distance from the point where the shooting occurred, and he stated that he saw the Ford V-8 Sedan parked on the road, and that he heard the shooting, but did not see all of it. During the time the Ford V-8 Sedan was stuck in the mud, a man whom he identified from a photograph as Clyde Barrow came into his yard and took the Chevrolet pick-up truck belonging to Robertson and drove it away and endeavored to pull the Ford V-8 Sedan out of the mud with the Chevrolet pick-up truck. Mr. Robertson stated that in his opinion, there were about seventy-five shots fired.

Mrs. J. C. Robertson, Commerce, Oklahoma, stated that she was at home at the time the shooting occurred and she believes there were about seventy-five shots fired. She also identified the photograph of Clyde Barrow and stated that he came into the yard and drove away the Chevrolet pick-up truck belonging to her husband.

Mr. J. H. LaDuke, Jr. was interviewed, and he stated that shortly after daylight on the morning of April 6, 1934, he and his father saw a Ford V-8 Sedan equipped with yellow wire wheels and dark body parked on a side road near their home.

Special Agent in Charge Dwight Brantley ascertained that 1934 Oklahoma license number 231 A 047 was issued February 13, 1934 for a 1928 Dodge Coupe, Motor Number B 771501, to Roy Wilson, Sterling, Oklahoma. On February 16, 1934, the above-described Dodge Coupe was traded to Jones Brothers, automobile dealers, at Bush Springs, Oklahoma, and Jones Brothers sold the car to C. H. Worley of Cox City, Oklahoma. A short time after C. H. Worley purchased the above car, he left it parked on the road and the wheels and license tag were stolen therefrom.

During the course of this investigation on April 6th and 7, 1934, numerous reports were received from various sources to the effect that a Ford Sedan answering the description of the car used by Clyde Barrow, Bonnie Parker and Henry Methvin had been seen. All reports were investigated, but were found to be without foundation.

On April 9, 1934, Special Agent in Charge Frank Blake of the Dallas Division Office notified the Oklahoma City Division Office by telephone that Mrs. Mina Dalton, age thirty-eight to forty years, five feet, eight inches in height, slender build, grey hair, partially deaf, had boarded a train of the Missouri, Kansas and Texas Railroad at Denison, Texas about 11:25 a. m. on April 9, 1934, and that she was reported to be going to Windsor, Missouri. Mrs. Dalton was said to be a sister of Buck Barrow's widow. This agent was instructed to board the Missouri, Kansas and Texas train at Vinita, Oklahoma at 5:28 p. m. on April 9, 1934 and to shadow Mrs. Dalton. After boarding the train at Vinita, Oklahoma, agent located Mrs. Dalton and ascertained from the conductor that she had a ticket for Windsor, Missouri. She changed trains at Parsons, Kansas and boarded the Missouri, Kansas and Texas train for Windsor, Missouri. Mrs. Dalton did not contact any person or make any telephone calls at Parsons, Kansas. Agent observed the hatbox suitcase which Mrs. Dalton was carrying. It had a sticker on it bearing the name of Hotel Marion, Little Rock, Arkansas, and on this sticker was printed the address of Mrs. G. O. Dalton, Hector, Arkansas. Upon arrival at Fort Scott, Kansas, agent was relieved by Special Agent W. F. Traylor of the Kansas City Division Office.

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ALBERT J. TAYLOR, Esq.

April 21, 1934

Special Agent in Charge
Div. of Investigation
U. S. Dept. of Justice
Dallas, Texas

Dear Sir:

Do you have any record or are you familiar with a one, Jack Mirick, 205 N. Anglin St., Cleburne, Texas who carries a title of "Major."

We are about to proceed against him on a charge brought by a Philadelphia business man and we feel that we may get the co-operation of your office, especially relative to whether or not this "Major" title which he uses is authentic or is done to obtain considerations by false pretense.

We shall appreciate any information you have relative to said mentioned person "Major" Jack Mirick. We have just learned also that Mirick on several occasions harbored a one, Clyde Barrow. We, of course, know nothing of Clyde Barrow, but possibly you do, and it is possible that your office and our office can work together to bring this fellow Mirick to terms.

Please let us hear from you immediately. Thanking you, we are

Very truly yours,

INTEGRITY DETECTIVE SERVICE

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

1216 Smith Young Tower
San Antonio, Texas.
April 23, 1934.

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Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
420 Post Office Bldg.,
Dallas, Texas.

CLYDE CHAMPION BARROW, w.s.
FUGITIVE; I.O. #1211, et al
Nat. M. V. T. Act

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of April 17, 1934, you are advised that Telephone Lehigh 0443 is listed to Ollie H. Noland, Apartment #4, 1906 Truxillo Avenue, Houston, Texas.

In the apartment mentioned there resides O. H. Noland, Mrs. M. Merriman, Lillian Merriman and Ida Mae Jacobs. This apartment house is located in a good section of the City of Houston.

Ollie H. Noland at the present time seems to be occupied as a professional bail bond broker in the State and Justice Courts of Harris County. He was arrested in 1928 suspected of smuggling narcotics into the City Jail, however, there was no prosecutive action instituted.

Special Agent J. V. Murphy is working in close cooperation with Capt. of Detectives Geo. Payton of the Houston Police Department in an effort to keep apartment #4 and the apartment house in question under surveillance.

I would appreciate it if you would advise if the names above quoted mean anything to your office in connection with the Barrow bunch.

Very truly yours,

Gus T. Jones,
Special Agent in Charge.

cc Division.

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420 Federal Building,
Dallas, Texas.

April 24, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice,
1216 Smith Young Tower,
San Antonio, Texas.

Re: CLYDE CHAMPION BARROW, w.s.
FUGITIVE, I.O. #1211; et al.
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

Dear Sir:

In response to your letter of April 23, 1934,
you are informed that the names mentioned in your letter,
Ollie H. Holand, Mrs. M. Merriman, Lillian Merriman and
Ida Mae Jacobs of Houston, Texas, are not familiar in
connection with the instant matter. I am, therefore, un-
able to give you any reason why telephone calls should
come to Billie Mae from Lehigh-0443, Houston.

Very truly yours,

F.J. BLAKE,
Special Agent in Charge.

CBW:LM
cc-Division
26-4114-155

420 Post Office Building,
Dallas, Texas.

April 24, 1934.

Mr. Albert W. Stallweg,
Integrity Detective Service,
615 Jefferson Bldg.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:-

In reply to your letter of 4/21/34, we have
no record of JACK MENICK, 205 North Anglin St.,
Cleburne, Texas.

We note your mention of CLYDE BARROW in con-
nection with this individual, and if you have any
information concerning Barrow we would be pleased to
receive same.

Very truly yours,

F.J. Blake,
Special Agent in Charge.

FJB:DET

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86-5186.

326 1/2 Post Office Building,
New Orleans, La.
April 24, 1934.

Director,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

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| APR 25 1934 |
| CHICAGO OFFICE |

Dear Sir:-

Re: Clyde Champion Barrow, with aliases,
Fugitive, I.O. 1211, et al.
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

Reference is made to report of Special Agent James C. Payronnin, dated April 18, 1934, at New Orleans, Louisiana, in the above captioned case.

There is being quoted below, for the information of interested offices, copy of memorandum dated April 23, 1934, at Monroe, Louisiana, which was submitted by Special Agent L. A. Kimball, of this office, concerning further activity in connection with the leads pending in Bienville Parish, Arcadia, Louisiana, being the Parish Seat. The D. E. Hamer referred to in the memorandum is connected with the Texas Rangers and assigned to the Barrow case:

"On the night of April 22, 1934, I interviewed Deputy Sheriff P. M. Oakley at Arcadia and telephoned Mr. D. E. Hamer to proceed to Arcadia the following morning. Today Hamer and I conferred with Sheriff Henderson Jordan and his deputy, named. Proceeding to the vicinity of Coator, La., contact was made with two informants, Dr. Sledge of Coator, and one John Joyner, who resides about two miles from the Methvin home. Joyner is a very good friend of the Methvin family, particularly the old man, I. E. Methvin. It was learned that Joyner had talked to the old man, advising him that the State of Texas would wipe the slate "clean" as to Henry Methvin, who escaped from the Texas State Prison while serving a 10 years sentence, provided the Methvins would place Barrow and Bonnie Parker on the spot. The old man and his wife took to the idea and advised that if written evidence was furnished to this effect, they would "finger" Barrow. It appears that last Friday night about 10:00 PM, Henry Methvin visited his home and, while he was still there, Bonnie Parker appeared with a "Tommy" and told Methvin he had stayed long enough and to come on, as the Methvins informed Joyner. Barrow never leaves his car for a moment and was not seen. It further appears, as the informant advises, that the Methvins, including Henry, are now afraid of their lives as Barrow has threatened to kill the entire family if there is any treachery. Henry relayed a message to his cousin, Price Methvin, (by the old man), who lives at Hills Summit, Louisiana, stating he wanted to see him before he died as he did not feel that he had long to live. All of this, Mr. Hamer advises, is thoroughly in keeping with Barrow, who has threatened his accomplices before.

"Mr. Hamer advised there would be no difficulty in securing proof desired

by Methvin as he has the promise of Prison Manager who works with the Governor, to release any prisoner if it will aid in apprehending Barrow. He returned to Arcadia and Mr. Hamer left at once for Huntsville, Texas, where he will secure the papers and return to Arcadia and place same in Joyner's possession in order that the latter may show them to I. T. Methvin and advise him that the moment Barrow and Parker are "apprehended", (the officers do not expect to take either alive), Henry Methvin will be a free man.

"Hamer advised that he always has cooperated with the Division and will keep Mr. Frank Blake advised as to the situation. He has talked the matter over with Mr. Blake.

"Henderson Jordan has the address of the Division Office and my address, etc. He will keep us advised as to the situation."

This office is, of course, taking no part in connection with any promises which might be made relative to Methvin.

Copies of this letter are being furnished to the Division Offices listed below, for their information.

Very truly yours,

R. Whitley,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Dallas ✓
Chicago
Oklahoma City
Kansas City
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UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **DALLAS, TEXAS**

FILE NO. **26-4397**

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| REPORT MADE AT: KANSAS CITY, Mo. | DATE WHEN MADE: 4-23-34 | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 4-17, 18, 19, 20, 21, -34 | REPORT MADE BY: S. R. ALLEN dtr |
| TITLE: CLYDE CHAMPION BARROW, with aliases- FUGITIVE, I. O. # 1211, et al. | | | CHARACTER OF CASE: NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT. |

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Two trunks and one box shipped from Kansas City, Missouri to Portland, Oregon by a party giving the name of Mrs. B. Marlow, tentatively identified by an employee of the A.B.C. Storage Company as Bonnie Parker. Investigation discloses trunks shipped by Mrs. W. C. Humphill, Kansas City, Missouri, to her aunt, Mary Bron at Forrest Grove, Oregon.

Edwardsville Bank, Edwardsville, Kansas, robbed April 19, 1934 by two men and one woman. Witnesses to robbery unable to identify bandits from the photographs of Subjects Barrow and Bonnie Parker.

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DETAILS:

On April 17, Mr. O. B. Thomas, Secretary A.B.C. Storage Company, 8th & Troost, Kansas City, Missouri, called at the Kansas City Division office and stated that on Saturday, April 14, 1934, a woman came to the A.B.C. Storage Company alone and left two trunks for shipment to Mary Bron, Portland, Oregon. Mr. Thomas advised that Mr. Newman, clerk in the office, believed this party to be identical with Bonnie Parker an associate of Clyde Barrow. Mr. Thomas further stated that the car which brought the trunks to the storage company was a Ford Coach bearing Missouri, 1934 License Number 44360; that the license plates had been checked, and it was learned that they had been issued to W. C. Humphill, 1019 Wyandotte Street, Kansas City, Missouri for a 1931 Nash Sedan. At the A.B.C. Storage Company, Agent interviewed Mr. H. E. Newman and was shown photographs of Bonnie Parker. Mr. Newman stated that the photograph of Bonnie Parker very closely resembled the woman who had left the two trunks and a box at the storage company, but could not be positive in his identification. Mr. Newman stated that the date of April 14th as given by Mr. Thomas was in error, and that on April 10, 1934, a Ford Coach had driven into the alley adjoining the storage company, and that two trunks and a box had been unloaded on to the loading platform; that a woman had entered the storage company in very much

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or a hurry and had requested the storage company to crate and ship the trunks to Mary Bron, Portland, Oregon. Mr. Newman stated that the actions of the woman aroused a suspicion, and when she refused to give a local address he had noted the license plate number on the car. He further stated that on April 11, 1934, the A.B.C. Storage Company had received a letter of instruction instructing them to ship the trunks to Mary Bron at No. 14 Park Street, Forrest Grove, Oregon.

He further related that on April 12, 1934, this same woman returned to the storage company making inquiry about the trunks and seemed very much provoked and excited that the trunks had not been sent. Mr. Newman also stated that on April 13th, a postal money order for \$10.75 had been received to cover the cost of packing and shipping the trunks and that the trunks had been shipped on April 13th. Mr. Newman stated that this woman had given the name of Mrs. B. Marlow and described the woman as being about 5ft. 10 in. tall, dark hair, with auburn tint, wearing a dark blue full length coat and dark turban hat.

The Portland office was immediately advised by wire of the shipment of these trunks and box and was requested to make appropriate investigation at that point. It was subsequently learned by telegraph from the Portland office that Mary Brown, not Bron as given by Mr. Newman, resided at 14 Park Street, Forrest Grove, and that Elsie Moyer also resided at that address, and that both persons had received mail and special delivery letters at that address recently with a return address - Hemphill, 1019 Wyandotte, Kansas City, Missouri. The Portland office likewise advised that the name, Bethel Martin, was stenciled on both trunks, and that the trunks contained household goods.

It was therefore deemed advisable to directly contact S. G. Hemphill. Mr. Hemphill was interviewed at his place of business, Hemphill Tailor Shop, 1019 Wyandotte Street, and stated that his wife, Mrs. Bethel Hemphill, had sent the trunks. Mr. Hemphill preferred that Agent talk with Mrs. Hemphill regarding the shipment. Mrs. Hemphill was present at the tailoring shop and was interviewed, reluctantly stating that she had sent the trunks. During the course of conversation, Mrs. Hemphill, after being assured that any information given would be held in strict confidence, disclosed that she had endeavored to ship the two trunks and one box in a manner which could not be traced. Mrs. Hemphill advised that the reason she had shipped the trunks in the manner stated was that her sister, a Mrs. Marlow, who is presently divorced from her husband, had one child, which child Mrs. Hemphill recently adopted, and that due to threats made by Mr. Marlow that he might kidnap the child Mrs. Hemphill deemed it advisable for her mother, Mrs. Martin, to take the child to Portland, Oregon. Mrs. Hemphill advised that her mother, Mrs. Elsie Moyer Martin together with the child and her aunt Mary Bron had proceeded to Portland, Oregon sometime ago, and that she, Mrs. Hemphill, had agreed to ship the household goods to them by packing two trunks and one box, and that she had shipped the trunks and box under the name of her sister, Mrs. B. Marlow, in order that they could not be traced, in as much as Mr. Marlow had made numerous threats against the family and the child.

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In as much as there was no indication that Bonnie Parker was in anyway involved in the shipping of these trunks, the Portland office was immediately advised by telephone to discontinue surveillance.

On April 19th the Dallas office telephonically advised the Kansas City office that the bank at Edwardsville, Kansas had been robbed by two men and a woman using a Ford V-8 Sedan. At Edwardsville, Kansas, it was ascertained that Mr. E. R. Beach, President of the Edwardsville Bank together with Arthur Night, a local farmer boy, had been held by the bank bandits for sometime prior to 8:30 A. M. on April 19th, and that after the time lock on the vault had made it possible for the vault to be opened they had been kidnapped and taken by automobile to a point 12 miles north of Olatha, Kansas where they had been released.

Mr. Beach was absent from the bank at the time of Agent's visit but was interviewed as set out hereafter.

Arthur Night was interviewed at Edwardsville, Kansas and stated that he is not an employee of the bank but had merely been employed by Mr. Beach to remove some lumber in the rear of the bank to repair a farm house situated about two and one-half miles north of Edwardsville. The photographs of Clyde Harrow and Bonnie Parker were displayed to Night who stated that they did not resemble the bandits. Arthur Night described one of the bandits as being approximately 6 ft. tall, about 35 or 40 years of age, dark complexion, dark hair, large brown eyes, smooth shaven, no scars or marks visible, wearing overalls of a blue denim over a dark suit possibly a dark gray. Night advised the woman as being about 5 ft. 7 or 8; over 30 years of age, dark hair, dark eyebrows, wearing a light hat and dark suit. Night stated that he did not get a chance to observe the other man but did recall that the man was considerably smaller than the man described. Night stated that he had been employed by Mr. Beach to remove some lumber at the rear of the bank, and on the morning of August 19th had proceeded to the bank from his home, arriving approximately between fifteen and twenty minutes past eight. He stated that he had gone to the rear of the bank and having had trouble with his automobile tire was proceeding between the bank and the grocery store toward the front of the bank when a man passed going toward the bank. He stated that the man looked at him very hard and that after passing the man he was commanded to halt and felt a gun in his ribs. Night stated that he was taken into the side door of the bank but was immediately taken out again and told to, "Get into that Ford V-8". Night stated that he entered the Ford V-8 Sedan, 1934 Model, black in color with cream-wire wheels, and was directed to sit on the right-hand side in the rear seat and to put his head as far down as possible toward the floor. He stated that he did not see Mr. Beach at the time he was in the bank and did not see him until Mr. Beach was forced into the car; Mr. Beach sitting in the middle of the back seat and also putting his head as far down to the floor as possible. He stated that the larger of the two men (the bandits) then entered the car and sat on the left-hand side; that the smaller of the two bandits drove the car, and that the woman sat beside the driver.

He stated that they left Edwardsville going in a northerly direction for one-half block to Highway No. 32, turning west and proceeding on Highway 32

to the edge of Denver Springs; then south on Highway No. 7, crossing the river, then turning southwest on the first road past the bridge which is a gravel road and proceeded about one mile past a settlement known as Monticello, which is located approximately 12 miles north of Clatskanie. Nigh stated that at this point he and Mr. Beach were directed to get out of the car and to walk northwest following the gravel road and not to look around. He stated that the instructions were followed, and that when at a safe distance they both turned to observe the car, but due to the cloud of dust they could not see the license plates attached to the car.

On April 30th Mr. Beach was interviewed at the Kansas City, Kansas Police Department, at which time he related that he had proceeded to the Edwardsville Bank from his home at approximately 5 A. M. Mr. Beach stated that to the average person this would seem to be an unusual hour to be going to work at the bank, but that he had considerable paper to prepare for discounts for the Reconstruction Finance Corporation and also had some carpenter work to do at the bank.

He stated that on his way from the house to the bank, the house being located approximately one block south of the bank and south of the railroad tracks, that he had noticed a Ford Sedan parked just north of the railroad tracks on the east side of the street, and that a woman was sitting at the wheel of the car. Mr. Beach stated that he thought this to be unusual but proceeded to the bank and upon entering encountered a man in the dark. Mr. Beach stated that at the time he entered the bank, that he had a Xmas Wright & Ditson cross-cut saw in his hand and struck the bandit twice with the saw before being subdued. He stated that he was ordered to lie down on the floor behind the office safe and not to make any noise. Mr. Beach stated that shortly thereafter a larger man entered the bank and after a few words he was hit over the head with the butt of a revolver, and that the larger man got him down on the floor and sat on him. Mr. Beach stated that he informed the bandits, when they told him that they were waiting for the woman to come in, that he (Mr. Beach) knew the combination of the safe, but that it could not be opened due to a time lock which was set for 8:30 A. M. Mr. Beach stated that during the time from 5 A. M. until 8 A. M., the bandits conversed rather freely and boasted a good deal of how good they could shoot. He stated that during this time he was questioned regarding the usual procedure he went thru in going from the house to the bank, and when the bandit ascertained that his automobile was parked in front of his house, that the larger of the two men proceeded to his house with him, at which time he removed his automobile to a point nearer the bank. Mr. Beach stated that as the sun began to come up and daylight appeared he was forced to sit in a position with his head down so that he could not observe either of the two bandits, and that every time he raised his head the least bit he was either kicked or pushed by the larger of the two bandits.

At the time of the interview with Mr. Beach, Arthur Nigh was present, and photographs contained in the Kansas City file # 7-6, being those

of Irish O'Malley, Mrs. George Chase, Lloyd Doyle and others, were displayed to both Beach and Night. Neither Beach nor Night could identify any of these photographs as those of the bandits.

Mr. Beach in telling of the kidnapping described the identical ride as described above by Arthur Night. Mr. Beach further informed Agent that the photographs of Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker in no way resembled the bandits. Mr. Beach described the larger man and the woman the same as Arthur Night described them, and described the younger of the two bandits as being very well dressed; about 5 ft. 8; dark hair, dark complexion and a very sharp nose. Both Mr. Beach and Mr. Night stated that the bandits were equipped with 45 calibre pistols, automatics, and that in the car was a shot-gun apparently sawed off.

Mr. Beach stated that the bandits obtained approximately \$1400.00 in cash, mostly in bills of twenty dollars and a hundred dollars, and also considerable silver.

Mr. Beach informed Agent that the bandits had handled two old style Navy-Model ball pistols which were his property and that possibly finger prints could be developed from these. Jackson Kines, Kansas City, Kansas Police Department requested Mr. Beach to bring the pistols to the Kansas City, Kansas Police Department in order that finger prints might be developed.

PENDING.

United States District Court

Dallas, Texas

CHAMBERS OF

JUDGE WILLIAM HAWLEY ATWELL

Abilene, Texas,
April 24th., 1934.

Mr. P. J. Blake,
United States Bureau of Investigation,
Federal Building,
Dallas, Texas.

Dear Mr. Blake:

Confidential

Because of the reliability and persistency of a friend I give you the address of 3601 Shenandoah street. It is a one story white brick cottage on the corner, as I understand it, near Southern Methodist University.

This friend contends that she saw Barrow and his woman companion. She is positive. Of course, she may be mistaken, but, because of her reliability and feeling about it I am giving you this information.

As I understand it the house is occupied by a Mr. Perry or Berry who seems to be some sort of a traveling man.

Yours very earnestly,

S. H. Rao

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United States District Judge.

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420 Post Office Building,
Dallas, Texas.

April 26, 1934.

Honorable William H. Atwell,
United States District Judge,
Federal Building,
Dallas, Texas.

Sir:-

I am in receipt of your letter of April 24, 1934
relative to the address 3601 Shenandoah Street, Dallas,
Texas - near Southern Methodist University; which matter
will receive careful consideration.

I am very grateful to you for bringing this
matter to our attention.

Respectfully,

F.J. Blake,
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc Division

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RE: Clyde G. Barrow-FUG., I.O. #1211; etal

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326 1/2 Post Office Building,
New Orleans, Louisiana
April 26, 1934.

Director,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Re: Clyde Champion Barrow, with aliases,
Fugitive, I. O. #1211; et al;
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Division letter of April 21, 1934, to the New Orleans Office in the above captioned case.

The files at the Lafayette Hotel, New Orleans, Louisiana, reflect that Raymond Hamilton, who stayed there on April 5, and 6, 1934, under the name of W. A. Murphy, did not make or receive any telephone calls at the Hotel which might be of interest in this matter.

The day and night clerks report that Hamilton did not send or receive any telegrams at the Lafayette Hotel.

The files of the Western Union Telegraph Company and the Postal Telegraph Company, at New Orleans, Louisiana, reflect that Hamilton, under his true name or aliases, did not send or receive any telegraphic communications at New Orleans, Louisiana, on April 5, or 6, 1934.

Very truly yours,

R. Whitley,
Special Agent in Charge.

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NEWCOMB CARLTON
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(Re: Clyde C. Barrow-FUG., IO #1211; etal

NAVTA)

WESTERN UNION GIFT ORDERS ARE APPROPRIATE GIFTS FOR ALL OCCASIONS

Dallas, Texas,
Feb. 3, 1934.

MEMORANDUM.

Re: CLYDE C. BARROW, with aliases -
FUGITIVE; et al.
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

On January 26, 1934, Mr. Lee Simmons, Superintendent of the Texas State Prison System, called at the Dallas Division Office and stated that he was going to have Aubrey Scalley, a prisoner who was serving time at the Eastham Prison Farm at the time of the rescue of the prisoners on January 16, 1934, brought inside the walls of the Penitentiary at Huntsville, Texas for questioning, as this prisoner had served at the Eastham Prison Farm with Clyde Barrow, Raymond Hamilton and others and had informed one of the guards that he could arrange to have Clyde Barrow attempt to rescue him as he had done for Raymond Hamilton and others, and Mr. Simmons requested that an Agent of the Dallas Division Office conduct the interview with Scalley.

This Agent happened to be in Beaumont, Texas on other business, and upon completion of that, on authority of Acting Special Agent in Charge McCormack, on his return to Dallas from Beaumont, stopped in Huntsville with Mr. Simmons and interviewed Aubrey Scalley.

Scalley stated he had received letters from Clyde Barrow since his release from the Texas State Penitentiary, advising him that any time he desired to be released he would come and get him out. When asked how these letters were delivered to him he stated "Through the mails, in the regular channels", but that the message regarding Clyde's willingness to deliver him was written on the back in alum water, and that he heated these sheets of paper bearing the invisible writing in order that he might be able to read the secret message. He stated that he could get in touch with Clyde Barrow by writing to Clyde's mother, Mrs. Emma Barrow, at Dallas, as Mrs. Barrow knew him. When asked how well he was acquainted with Mrs. Barrow he stated he knew her, having written to her when Clyde cut one of his toes off and was moved to the Eastham Farm from Huntsville, and Clyde had told her he was his friend and he had sent her some pictures which were Clyde's personal property. One of these photographs was of a girl with

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whom Clyde Barrow formerly kept company and whose name he could not remember except her Christian name was Grace.

Scalley stated that his mother and sister refused to have anything to do with Mrs. Barrow and declined even to accompany Mrs. Barrow to the Eastman Farm to visit with him when Mrs. Barrow was coming to see Buck Barrow, her other son, now deceased. He denied that he and Clyde Barrow had killed Bob Crowder, another prisoner at the Eastman Farm.

Very little dependence is placed in Scalley's statement that he could aid in the location of Barrow. However, Mr. Simmons authorized him to write his letter to Mrs. Barrow and he would see that it was mailed.

C. B. Winstead
C. B. WINSTED,
Special Agent.

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385 Post Office Building,
New Orleans, La.
February 3, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Building,
Dallas, Texas.

SPECIAL DELIVERY

Dear Sir:-

Re: Clyde Champion Barrow, with
aliases, Fugitive, I.O. 1211; et al.
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

Special Agent L. A. Kindell advised this office today that through the Probation Officer at Monroe, Louisiana, he secured information and interviewed Wirt Dean, who lives on Benton Street, Monroe, and whose brother, Curtis Dean, is under probation to the aforementioned Probation Officer, concerning Subject Barrow and others, and concerning the location of a hide-out in Texas.

The informant, Wirt Dean, advised Agent Kindell that a week ago last Wednesday, namely, January 24, 1934, while at Kilgore, Texas, at a flop house, he met Johnnie Frazier, who was recently released from a Federal Penitentiary where he was serving a term on a counterfeiting charge, and that Frazier suggested that they hi-jack a bank at Houston, Texas. The informant, Wirt Dean, states that he accompanied Johnnie Frazier, traveling west from Kilgore, Texas, about seven miles toward Henderson, Texas, and that there was a bridge crossing a lake and they took the first turn before they reached the bridge, turning right, and traveled two or three miles up a cow path to a two room log cabin which was located near the lake. The informant, Wirt Dean, and Johnnie Frazier met Clyde Barrow, who was using the alias of Bob White, Bonnie Parker, Guy Solley, Shorty Lofton, Blackie Lofton, and an individual known as McWilliams. Informant states that Barrow and his accomplices have a motor boat operating on the lake. Wirt Dean informed Agent Kindell that he stayed at this location for a couple of days and during this time they discussed the Houston, Texas, bank robbery which they contemplated pulling. When they left, Frazier and Dean was supposed to meet this group again on or about February 15, 1934, at the above described hide-out.

Wirt Dean informed Agent Kindell that between the road or cow path and the cabin there was located a large tree which had been hollowed out and they kept a look-out there day and night with a Tommy machine gun.

Wirt Dean advised that Johnnie Frazier has been residing in a flop house which is on the same street as the City Hall two blocks up or toward the railroad track in Kilgore, Texas.

Agent Kindell advised that the informant, Wirt Dean, is an underworld

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character but that he impressed him with truthfulness of the information given.

Guy Solley, Blackie Lofton, Shorty Lofton and McWilliams are reported to have criminal records and to be engaged in bank robbing activities.

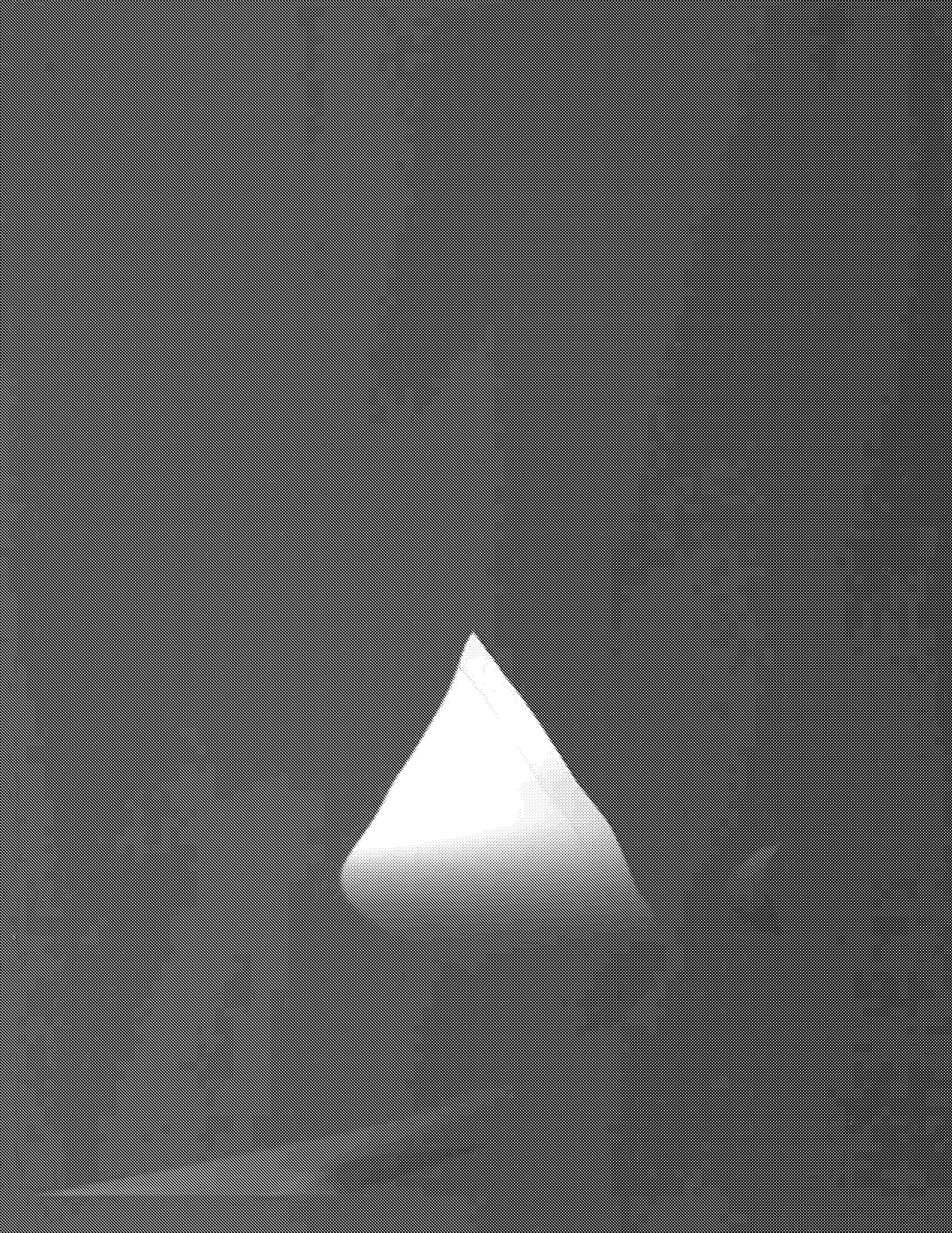
Kindly give this matter investigative attention.

Very truly yours,

D. W. Magee

D. W. Magee,
Acting Special Agent in Charge.

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San Antonio



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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Dallas, Texas****26-2184**

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| TITLE: CLYDE CHAMPION BARRON, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. 1211, et al | | | CHARACTER OF CASE: National Motor Vehicle Theft Act |

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Two trunks and one suitcase arrived Portland night April 19, 1934, were consigned to Mary Brown, 14 Park Street, Portland. Contents carefully inspected and nothing suspicious located or found. Mary Brown and Elsie Moyer or Moyer living 14 Park Street, Forest Grove, Oregon. Received many letters from Kansas City; apparently not connected with instant case, however.

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REFERENCE: Telegram and letter from Kansas City, dated April 17, 1934.

DETAILS:

Immediately upon receipt of reference telegram, contact was had by agent with E. M. Einar, Chief Clerk, Railway Express Agency, 226 S.W. Broadway, this being thought the most likely manner of shipment of said trunks. Mr. Einar could find no record of the receipt of parcels described, but promised to notify the Portland Division office immediately upon their arrival.

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Contact was also had with E. B. Wood, Chief Special Agent, Union Pacific Railroad, who assigned Robert L. Coggburn, Division Special Agent, to assist the writer in endeavoring to trace and locate said trunks. Notices were also placed with Morris Coturri, Chief Special Agent, Southern Pacific Railroad, and Joe Bush, Chief Special Agent, Spokane, Portland and Seattle Railroad, in view of the fact that there was a possibility that the trunks might come in by freight over these railroads. On April 18, 1934, Mr. Coggburn advised agent that he had ascertained that the trunks had been shipped over the Union Pacific Lines to Portland and were due to arrive about midnight of April 18, 1934; said trunks had been shipped from the A B C Warehouse, Kansas City, Missouri. Arrangements were made with Mr. Coggburn to meet him immediately upon the arrival of the trunks in order that they could be inspected before any bill of lading was presented for their release. Said trunks and the box arrived shortly after midnight of April 18, 1934, at which time they were carefully inspected by Special Agent in Charge C. C. Spears, Special Agent A. C. Berens, the writer and Robert L. Coggburn, aforementioned. The two trunks were sealed by the seal of the A B C Warehouse, but said box was not sealed and the contents were inspected through authority of Mr. Coggburn. Nothing suspicious whatever was located in said wooden box.

On the following day the trunks were opened and inspected, said trunks being opened by F. E. Opperman Transcontinental Freight Inspector, who advised that he has authority to inspect all articles shipped by common carrier not under government bond. The contents of the two trunks were carefully inspected and found to contain articles of clothing, pictures and various small articles such as household remedies and household supplies. There was absolutely nothing suspicious found in either of the two trunks or the box and nothing found indicating that the consignee or consignor of said trunks were connected with Clyde Champion Barrow or Bonnie Parker. An address found in the trunk indicated that it was shipped by a Bethel Martin, possibly of 1018 Wyandott Street, Kansas City, Missouri. Various other addresses appearing both on the outside and inside of the trunks were recorded, but appear to have no bearing on the instant case and are, therefore, not being reported herein.

After obtaining the above addresses the Kansas City office was advised by telegram and requested to check at the address on Wyandott Street, and the Kansas City office advised on April 21, 1934, that the surveillance on the trunks might be discontinued.

It might be noted that the trunks were addressed to Portland instead of Forest Grove, and it will apparently be necessary on the

part of either the consignee or consignor to trace the error back to its origin before said trunks may be delivered or located.

Special Agent A. G. Barans conducted the following investigation:

At Forest Grove, Oregon.

Elsie Allen, postmaster, informed agent that a search of the post office records reveals the following special delivery letters delivered to the address of 14 Park Street:

Special Delivery letters received at Forest Grove, Oregon, addressed to Elsie Mayer:

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| Nov. 2, 1933 | " |
| Dec. 3, 1933 | " |
| " 7, 1933 | " |
| " 12, 1933 | " |
| " 21, 1933 | " |
| " 22, 1933 | " |
| Jan. 3, 1934 | " |
| " 19, 1934 | " |
| " 20, 1934 | " |
| " 30, 1934 | " |
| Feb. 6, 1934 | " |
| " 18, 1934 | " |
| " 22, 1934 | " |
| Mar. 1, 1934 | " |
| " 8, 1934 | " |
| " 15, 1934 | " |
| " 22, 1934 | " |
| " 23, 1934 | " |
| Apr. 12, 1934 | " |
| " 13, 1934 | " |
| " 15, 1934 | " |

The following special delivery letters were received at Forest Grove, Oregon, and were addressed to Mary Brown:

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| Dec. 21, 1933 | " |
| " 22, 1933 | " |
| Jan. 1, 1934 | " |

All letters indicated above were postmarked Kansas City, Missouri.

The signatures of the persons who signed for these letters were traced by Allen and the tracings submitted to agent. These tracings are retained in the file of the Portland office.

Mr. Allen did not know the residents of the above address. He located a record showing when the post office was notified of their presence at that address. This date was given as January 23, 1934, and listed the names of E. J. Moyer and Mary Brown. A search of the post office records revealed that there had been no registered letters or money orders delivered to the above address.

J. F. Herb, regular letter carrier to the address 14 Park Street, informed agent that he had delivered numerous letters which required additional postage of three cents; that these envelopes were of the large and small varieties and appeared to contain handkerchiefs.

When questioned as to the inhabitants of the house he stated that a lady about 45 years old lived there and described her as follows:

Weight about 150
Height 5' 8"
Build Heavy
Color of hair - Gray

He also stated that a boy five to six years old also lived there. He added that there were about twenty of these postage due letters last month and that they were addressed to Elsie Moyer.

Inquiry of the postmaster and of Herb indicated that M. E. Farkin lives at 15 Park Street, directly across the street from 14 Park Street, and that he is a very old man and incapable of quick comprehension. Red McCoy lives on the corner next door to 14 Park Street, and a man by the name of Fish lives on the opposite corner. Inquiry revealed that McCoy is rather talkative and that Fish is entirely reliable to keep any secrets. Agent was also advised that J. T. Newbury lives in the same block but that he is unreliable.

J. F. McGill, who delivers the special delivery letters for the Forest Grove post office, informed agent that he delivered a great number of special delivery letters to 14 Park Street; that he does not know who lives there except that the letters are signed for in the name of Elsie Moyer or Mary Brown. He added that the same person signs both names. He described the person to be a 70 year old woman, medium size, slightly grey. He also stated that a little boy about six years old lives at that address, and that this boy received two

boxes by special delivery about a week ago. The old lady who lives there explained to him that the boxes contained a birthday gift.

McGill also delivers the express for the town of Forest Grove. He stated that he had not delivered any packages or trunks to 14 Park Street.

E. H. Johnson, president, First National Bank, Forest Grove, advised agent that neither Mary Brown, E. J. Meyer nor Elsie Meyer had accounts at that bank.

J. H. Thornburgh, president, Forest Grove National Bank, advised that Elsie Meyer, E. J. Meyer or Mary Brown had no accounts at his bank.

Express agent Benson, Forest Grove, did not know either one of the parties, Elsie Meyer or Mary Brown. He informed agent after examining his files that no package or telegram had been sent to these parties.

In view of the telegram from Kansas City dated April 21, 1934, it appears that the parties are not involved in the instant case or connected with Barrow or Bonnie Parker. Further investigation is accordingly being discontinued by this office.

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April 27, 1934

F. J. Blake
420 Post Office Bldg.
Dallas, Texas

Dear Mr. Blake:

Thank you for your letter of April 24th responding to ours of the 21st relative to a one, Jack Mirick, 205 N. Anglin St., Cleburne, Texas.

The reason for our writing you was to ascertain whether or not you had at any time received any record relative to Mirick. This fellow Jack Mirick uses a title before his name of "Major" and now he came into the use of such a title is something that remains to be found out.

The records of the Adjutant General's Dept. at Washington, D. C. stated that such a person did not serve in the U. S. Army during the period of the World War or subsequent thereto.

An investigation of the Adjutant General's Dept. of the State of Texas reveals that a Jack Mirick of Cleburne, Texas holds no commission of "Major" in the National Guard of your State. However, the State of Texas' records show a Jack Mirick-- Private, Battery B., 132nd Field Artillery who was discharged July 20, 1933 and whose whereabouts is not known by that office up to the present time.

The misuse of this title may be something that your office may be interested in due to the fact that Mirick is evidently using this title to defraud people in different parts of the country.

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Back in the beginning of 1933 a firm in Philadelphia by the name of R. F. Sedgley, Inc., 2311 N. 16th St. received some communications from this "Major" Jack Mirick relative to his being interested in rifles. The firm of Sedgley, Inc. are manufacturers of firearms and said Mirick had the Sedgley firm here send down to him two rifles with the understanding that he wanted them to put on display in the window of the Cleburne Hardware Co., Cleburne, Texas and that he would write up an article relative to these two rifles for the Cleburne Times Review.

His request was also to the effect that he was anxious to try these two rifles himself and in that way become acquainted with their use. The firm of Sedgley, Inc., recognizing the title "Major" which he used, shipped him the two rifles. One was a Sedgley Springfield, Hornet, hand made rifle, serial number 31096 and the other was a Winchester Mucklet Hornet, but we do not know the serial number.

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"Major" Mirick agreed to return these two rifles within thirty days. He has never returned them up to the present time and we had an investigation conducted in Cleburne, Texas that led us to believe that "Major" Mirick had disposed of these two rifles for a cash consideration.

Our investigation at Cleburne, Texas gave us information that when Clyde Barrow was ever in Cleburne he was harbored by "Major" Jack Mirick and we are wondering if these two rifles have been disposed of by "Major" Mirick to anyone of the underworld.

We know nothing of Clyde Barrow's character but it is evident from your letter of April 24th that you do know of him.

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By contacting this so called "Major" Jack Mirick you may secure some information that you need relative to Barrow. We, of course, are interested in recovering the two rifles from "Major " Jack Mirick and you are interested, evidently, in Clyde Barrow.

It may be that co-operation between your office and our office may bring about something satisfactory to both of us.

We would be pleased to have you communicate with us further and assure you of our desire to co-operate with your office.

Very truly yours,

INTEGRITY DETECTIVE SERVICE

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A. Steelwag

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

Dallas, Texas

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| REPORT MADE AT: Oklahoma City | DATE WHEN MADE: 4/30/34 | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 3/24/34 | REPORT MADE BY: H. E. Hollis |
| TITLE: CLYDE CHAMPION BARROW with aliases - FUGITIVE I. O. #1211; et al | | | CHARACTER OF CASE: National Motor Vehicle Theft Act |

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Information obtained that ranch of Jane Hall is located near Rowden, Texas. Jane Hall is not related to Clyde Barrow or Bonnie Parker.

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REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent H. E. Hollis, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, 12/23/33.

DETAILS:

On March 16, 1934, Special Agent in Charge F. J. Blake of the Dallas Division office telephoned the Oklahoma City office requesting that information be obtained at Vinita, Oklahoma as to the location in Texas of the ranch where Jane Hall was visiting or living. It was also requested that it be ascertained whether Jane Hall is related to Clyde Barrow or Bonnie Parker.

Deputy Sheriff C. E. Asadon, Vinita, Oklahoma, when interviewed stated that after the raid was made on the home of Jane Hall at Vinita in December of 1933, information concerning which is set out in reference report, he made inquiry as to the location of the ranch of Jane Hall in Texas, and obtained information that Jane Hall is the owner of a ranch located near Rowden, Texas. The ranch is known as the Hall Ranch. Mr. Asadon stated that Jane Hall spends most of her time at this ranch, although she makes periodic visits to Vinita.

It was also ascertained from Mr. Asadon that Jane Hall is not related in any way to Clyde Barrow or Bonnie Parker, although it is understood that the birthplace of Barrow is not far from the Hall Ranch.

The above information was furnished the Dallas office by telephone.

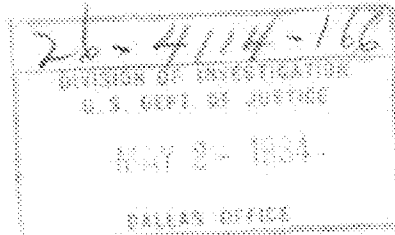
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326½ Post Office Building,
New Orleans, La.
April 30, 1934.

Director,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.



Dear Sir:-

Re: Clyde Champion Barrow, with aliases,
Fugitive, I. O. 1211, et al.
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

Reference is made to my letter which was addressed to the Division under date of April 24, 1934, in the above entitled case.

For the information of interested offices, the following investigation was conducted by Special Agent L. A. Kindell, of this office, on April 28, 1934:

Agent Kindell met Captain Frank Hamer, Texas Ranger, Sheriff Henderson Jordan, and Deputy Sheriff Bob Elkhorn, Dallas, Texas, at Mr. Jordan's office in Arcadia, Louisiana. Mr. Jordan advised that he had made arrangements with John Joyner, the informant, whereby Joyner and I. T. Methvin were to meet the party in the woods some four miles from Methvin's home, at 10:00 AM. Proceeding to this point, the informant was contacted and advised that I. T. Methvin requested that the officers proceed to his home, located in Bienville Parish, Louisiana, some fifteen miles south of Gaster, Louisiana, and ten miles distant from Ashland, Louisiana. At this point, there was met I. T. Methvin, his wife, and two sons, Cecil and Terrall Methvin. Mr. Hamer exhibited to those interested a letter which he had obtained from Mr. Simmons, Prison Manager, Texas State Prison at Huntsville, Texas, whereby Mr. Hamer was appointed as agent for the State of Texas and authorized to make any deal concerning Henry Methvin which would assist in causing the arrest of Clyde Champion Barrow and Bonnie Parker. The letter, in substance, granted Mr. Hamer permission to advise the Methvins that Henry Methvin's sentence in the State of Texas would be "wiped out", provided Methvin or his family would assist. Of course, Hamer was in no position to make any promises concerning what Henry Methvin may have done in the State of Texas or in any other State since his escape. Agent took no part in this agreement, feeling that it was purely a matter between Mr. Hamer and the Methvins. I. T. Methvin, a brother of I. T. Methvin, residing at Hills Summit, was called in, and after a prolonged discussion, the Methvins agreed to assist the officers in locating Barrow. I. T. Methvin advised that he had no doubt he could contact the Subject within a very few days, that Barrow had confidence in him, as reflected by the fact that, on his last visit, he had asked Mr. Methvin to go to Dallas, Texas, and bring his, Barrow's, mother to Methvin's home where the Subject might visit her. He advised that no one knows just when Barrow is coming in and he remains only a very few hours and usually does not get out of his automobile. It is also possible the Subject may visit the Terrall Methvin home, located some five miles from I. T. Methvin, in Natchitoches Parish, Louisiana.

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I. T. Methvin and his sons advised Agent Kindell that the Subject is traveling in a Pontiac Coach, possibly the same one which was stolen in Kansas, and that he is accompanied by Bonnie Parker, Henry Methvin and Joe Palmer, who escaped from the Texas State Prison when Henry Methvin was delivered and was a life-terminer. The Methvins are in great fear of Barrow and are extremely anxious that Henry Methvin should be separated from him. Mrs. I. T. Methvin stated she was willing to do anything if her son's sentence is wiped out in the State of Texas. In substance, it is believed that the Methvins will cooperate in every way possible, for the following reasons: fear of Barrow and what he might do to Henry Methvin, and the fact that the State of Texas has seen fit to extend clemency to Henry Methvin should cooperation be extended.

While none of those interviewed cared to go into details as to Barrow's visits, it was evident that he has a very close contact at this point. As stated, it is most likely that he will visit the Terrill Methvin home as he has several means of escape, while the I. T. Methvin home is so located that he can come and go only by one road. However, this is problemetical as he is never known to have entered either of the homes and generally parks his car a mile or so away. It was agreed that the following plan should be carried out: I. T. Methvin expects to contact Barrow within the next six or seven days, at which time he will determine approximately when Barrow will make his next visit to the vicinity. He will then notify Sheriff Henderson Jordan and the latter will advise Mr. Hamer and the Division office at New Orleans. The officers will proceed to John Joyner's home, located at a strategic point within two miles from the I. T. Methvin residence, and there take up the watch. It should be stated that Henry Methvin will not be advised, for obvious reasons, by his people as to the agreement which has been made. While Henry Methvin had expressed to his father on his last visit home his desire to be released from the influence of Barrow, Barrow has threatened to kill him and the entire family should he be double crossed or should Methvin leave him and it was therefore felt that Henry might weaken in the pinch.

This is the type of case where it is difficult to plan exactly the procedure to be followed. It is believed that not more than six men should be used in effecting the final arrest. As stated, while these homes are in an extremely isolated position, it would be almost impossible to rush any large number of men into the community without arousing the suspicion of the countryside. Further, Barrow remains in the vicinity for only a very few hours. There are no telephone facilities and it is impracticable to place any large number of men at given points for any period of time.

The Division will be kept advised concerning the developments. Captain Hamer will keep in touch with Mr. Frank Blake at Dallas, Texas.

cc-
Dallas
Chicago
Oklahoma City
Kansas City
St. Louis

Very truly yours,

S. Whitley,
Special Agent in Charge.

DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Laboratory Report

April 23, 1934.

Case: Clyde Champion Barrow, with aliases, I.O. Number: 26-31672
1211; National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

Specimens: 1 exploded shell case analyzed by Marle A. Gill, as having
been fired from a .45 caliber Colt Automatic Pistol.
1 unexploded .32 caliber bullet.
Both of above specimens found in automobile supposed to
have been abandoned by subject of this case.

Examination requested by: Kansas City Office.

Date received: April 18, 1934.

Examination requested: Laboratory.

Result of examination:

Examination by:

April 20. The conclusion of Mr. Gill that the shell was probably
fired from a .45 caliber Colt Automatic Pistol appears to be correct.

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Suite 1
Federal Building
Kansas City, Missouri.
April 30, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Building,
Dallas, Texas.

Dear Sir:

RE: OLYNE CLAMPTON BARROW, with aliases,
I O 1211, ET AL
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act

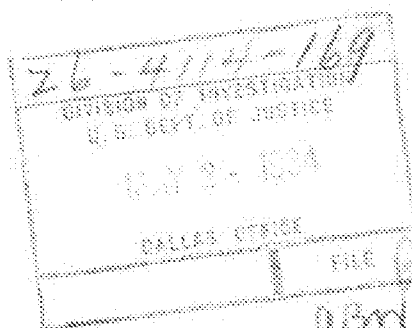
Please refer to the report of Special Agent S. B. Allen dated at Kansas City April 18th in the above captioned case, particularly page 3 thereof, wherein you will note investigation by Special Agent Simons at Ottawa, Kansas. The .45 calibre automatic exploded shell, together with the .32 calibre unexploded bullet, which were obtained by Special Agent Simons at that time, were examined by Mr. Marle A. Gill, Forensic Ballistician, and subsequently transmitted to the Division for attention at the Division Laboratory.

There is being transmitted herewith a copy of Division Laboratory report dated April 23, 1934, relative to this examination, this report being for the completion of your files, as your office is the office of origin.

Very truly yours,


E. J. CONROY
Special Agent in Charge

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DALLAS TEXAS,
May 8, 1934.

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SUITE 1
KANSAS CITY MISSOURI.

I INVESTIGATE SHOOTING AFFRAY BETWEEN STATE HIGHWAY POLICE AND TWO MEN AND WOMAN
SUSPECTED BEING BARROW AND COMPANIONS EARLY THIS MORNING AT SPRINGFIELD
MISSOURI NO OTHER INFORMATION AVAILABLE HERE

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DALLAS, TEXAS.

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| REPORT MADE AT DALLAS, TEXAS. | DATE WHEN MADE 6-3-34 | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 4/27/34 5/1/34 | REPORT MADE BY C.B. WINEFORD. |
| TITLE JAMES MULLEN, aliases: Jimmy Lallont, James Lallont, James F. Kinley, James Miller, James Muller. | | | CHARACTER OF CASE POSSESSION STOLEN GOVERNMENT PROPERTY. HARBORING FUGITIVES. |

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

On January 11, 1934, Mullen met Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker through Floyd Hamilton; agreed to assist Barrow in rescuing Raymond Hamilton from Texas State Prison. Joined Barrow January 12, remained with him until night of January 16, 1934. Thereafter assisted Barrow and others. About March 18, 1934, accepted from Floyd Hamilton Government 45-caliber pistol No. 539612, stolen by Barrow, Hamilton and others from National Guard Armory, Ranger, Texas, February 19, 1934. Admits possession, knowing same to have been stolen. Complaint filed May 1, 1934, waived hearing, held in default \$5000.00 bail.

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REFERENCE:

Report of Special Agent F.S. Dunn, Dallas, Texas, dated 4-20-34, entitled Raymond Hamilton, et al - Dallas file: 52-164.

DETAILS:

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On April 11, 1934 at Dallas, Texas, James Mullen, also locally known at Dallas as Jimmy Lallont, was taken in custody by Rangers and Deputy Sheriff Bob Alcorn of the Dallas Police Department, and a search of the premises at the scene of the arrest revealed a Government 45-caliber pistol, bearing serial No. 539612, wrapped in a pair of overalls in a shed on the premises. This gun was found by Deputy Bob Alcorn of Dallas and delivered by him to Sheriff R.A. Schmid, who in turn on April 17, 1934, delivered same to Special Agent F.S. Dunn of the Dallas Division Office, and the same is now being held at the Dallas Office.

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to be used as evidence in this and other cases.

On April 26, 1934, Capt. O.E. Harner of the Texas Rangers, notified Special Agent F.J. Blake of the Dallas Division Office, that an agreement had been made with James Mullan that he would not be prosecuted in the State Courts of Texas for certain assistance he had rendered to the state officers, but had admitted that he was in possession of the stolen 45-automatic pistol and knew that the same had been stolen by Clyde Barrow, Raymond Hamilton and others, out of the National Guard Armory at Ranger, Texas, and that Mullan was then being held in the Waxahachie Jail and he desired that the Government prosecute him.

On the night of April 27, 1934, this Agent accompanied by Dallas City Detective C.O. Buchanen, called at the Waxahachie Jail and brought Jimmy Mullan to Dallas where he was booked at the City Jail under the name of Jimmy Murphy.

On April 28, 1934, Mullan furnished the following signed statement:

"Dallas, Texas,
April 28, 1934.

"My name is James Mullan, age 48 years.

"I was sentenced to the Texas State Penitentiary from San Antonio, November 10, 1931, and arrived at the Eastham Prison Farm in the early part of February, 1932. Clyde Barrow was there when I arrived. I did not become very well acquainted with Clyde, as a few days after I got there Clyde cut off one of his big toes and was transferred to the Cells at Huntsville.

"About August, 1933, Raymond Hamilton arrived at the Eastham State Penal Farm. He and I became good friends before I was released on January 10, 1934.

"Raymond and I made arrangements for me to see his brother Floyd at Dallas, and get some guns and a car, and come down to the farm and effect Raymond's escape.

"Upon my release I came to Dallas and saw Floyd Hamilton. He was not at home the first night I got in Dallas, but I saw him the second night. Floyd told me he had been out the night before to meet Clyde Barrow; that he had told Clyde I would be in Dallas. The next night I went with Floyd Hamilton out in the country back of Irvin, I think. We met Clyde and Bonnie. I put it up to Clyde about rescu-

ing Raymond from the Eastham Farm. He and Bonnie agreed that they and I would pull the job, and Floyd would not be in on it. I spent the rest of that night (Thursday) at Floyd's house. He agreed that night to meet Clyde and Bonnie the next morning between Lancaster and Ferris, with some 16 gauge shot gun shells and some .43 calibre automatic pistol clips and ammunition.

Floyd, the next morning, Friday, bought three clips and a box of .43 cartridges and a dozen or 18 sixteen gauge #1, buck, shot gun shells. He and I about 10 o'clock Friday morning met Clyde and Bonnie just South of Lancaster on the main paved highway. We all then, in two cars, Floyd's Model A Coupe, and Clyde and Bonnie in a V-8 Coupe, drove to Corsicana, Texas, and left Floyd's Coupe in a garage. Floyd and I then got in the V-8 Coupe with Clyde and Bonnie. We drove to Medicineville and then toward Crockett and began working the roads in the river bottoms. It had been raining and all of the back roads were bad but we finally found a sandy lane that took us right to the Farm, but we stopped within about four miles of the Farm. We just drove around in the bottoms and slept in the woods until about 1:30 or 2:00 o'clock AM, Sunday, January 14, 1934. Clyde drove to within about 2 miles of the Farm. He and Bonnie stayed there in the car, while Floyd and I took two .43 automatic pistols and two extra loaded clips into the Farm in an inner tube and planted them under a little bridge near the building wood pile. After that we all drove back to Corsicana where about 4:30 AM Floyd got his coupe from the garage. Clyde, Bonnie and I drove back through Panteville, and down into the Trinity River Bottoms. Floyd came to Dallas, picked up his wife - Mildred - and drove directly to the Eastham Penal Farm for a Sunday afternoon visit with Raymond. That was according to our previous agreement that he would do that, and tell Raymond where the guns were planted.

"After Floyd left the prison Farm he met us between 8 and 9 PM, Sunday at the first good cross road North of Fairfield. He - Clyde, Bonnie and I never went to see anybody. While I was with them Clyde and I would usually sleep during the night and Bonnie would stay awake and watch out for us. In the day time she would curl up on quilts in the turtle back of the coupe and sleep.

"When we needed gas we would just cover the guns - 2 Browning Automatics, and shot-gun with blankets, and pick out a deserted filling station and drive in.

"Clyde said that one time in Oklahoma he and Bonnie needed medical aid - I think right after their wreck at Wellington, - he went to a cousin of Pretty Boy Floyd and he got him (Clyde) some medicine. Clyde said he never saw Pretty Boy Floyd, and that cousin said he had not seen him in a year and a half. I don't know where that was.

"The only killings Clyde ever told me about was the Hillsboro and Atoka murders. He said they were "bum reps" on Raymond.

"Clyde and I were at the fence on the Calhoun Ferry Road on the morning of Tuesday, January 16, 1934, and Bonnie was in the Ford V-8 Coupe. When the prisoners - Raymond Hamilton and Joe Palmer - began shooting there in the woods on the Eastham Farm. We were at the fence, about 5 or 10 minutes after we heard the shots, we saw 4 of the prisoners coming toward us - Clyde began shooting over their heads with the Browning Rifle and I opened up with the shot gun to cover their get-away.

"We drove back roads until we got up in back of Rhame. The road that takes to the left and runs South in front of the school building. There were seven of us in that Ford Coupe. About 6 or 7 o'clock that night L.C. Barrow and Floyd Hamilton came out there to meet us. They went into Rhame and bought us some cheese, potted ham and bread.

"I came back to Dallas that night with L.C. Barrow and Floyd Hamilton. He agreed that night to come back the next night and bring them some clothes.

"The next day, Wednesday, I bought 4 hats, 4 pairs of pants, 4 pairs of shoes, and 4 shirts. That night Floyd Hamilton, John Beaden and I went back to Rhame and turned on to Bridgeport - Boyd Road. We did not contact them that night.

"On January 18, 1934, I met Floyd Hamilton, as per agreement, at the Sears & Roebuck Parking Lot. He picked me up in the car and said he had a meeting with Raymond, Clyde and the rest of them - Henry Methvin, Joe Palmer and Milton Bybee - the others who had escaped with Raymond.

Mildred Hamilton was with Floyd when he picked me up. We three then went to the Lone Star Filling Station and picked up Mrs. Barrow, Clyde's mother. She had some clothes for Bonnie in a package. Floyd and Mildred had the two shoe boxes and two suit boxes in the car already when they got me. We were going out Maple Avenue toward the Northwest Highway when some officers stopped us and "shook" the car down. I gave my name as James Lusk to them.

"They released us and we went back to West Dallas and let Mrs. Barrow and Mildred out at the filling station. Then Floyd and I went toward Ft. Worth. He did a lot of circling to see if we were being followed. We then hit the Ft. Worth-Rhome Road and that night we met Clyde Barrow, Bonnie Parker, Billie Parker, Henry Methwin, Joe Palmer, Raymond Hamilton, and Milton Bybee on the road between Boyd and Paradise, Texas, and gave them the clothes. We drove off on a side road and talked for a long while. Raymond gave me between \$875.00 and \$885.00, and he gave Floyd \$500.00. They all talked about having robbed some mercantile stores in Oklahoma and getting clothes and of having robbed a bank in Iowa and getting \$5000.00 or \$7000.00 out of it. They also talked of two or three other bank jobs they pulled on that trip - one in some little town in Kansas and one in Oklahoma, but I can't remember the names of the towns.

"Billie Parker, Bonnie's sister, was with them on that trip to Iowa and stayed with them for a while after that meeting that night.

"The gang had two V-8 Sedans. One a tan and the other black. On one of them the generator was burned out. We all drove into Decatur, Texas. Floyd and I tried to buy a '24 Ford V-8 generator but could not get one there from the Ford Dealer. So we drove on to Bowie. The dealer there didn't have one in stock, but he sold us one off of a new car on display. He wanted \$17.75 for it, but I saw in his parts price book that they were \$14.75, so I just handed him \$14.75 and took the generator.

"The rest of the gang had driven on the second cross road North of Bowie and Floyd and Clyde put the new generator on the car.

"We all went from there toward Wichita Falls. The two sedans in which were Billie Parker, Clyde Barrow, Bonnie Parker, Raymond Hamilton, Joe Palmer, Henry Methvin, and Milton Bybee stopped on a cross road before we reached Wichita Falls. Floyd Hamilton and I went into town and tried to find Mary O'Dare for Raymond, but we couldn't locate her. We got an address for Raymond though and took that back to him.

"The last time I saw Bonnie she had a large burn scar from her ankle clear to the top of her right leg on the inner side and she has a 48 bullet in her left knee - both knee joints are stiff and she walks with her knees bent.

"That is the last time I ever saw Clyde. I saw Raymond a number of times after that.

"Clyde Barrow, Raymond Hamilton, Henry Methvin and Bonnie Parker were in on the Lancaster, Texas, Bank Robbery - I don't know whether Mary O'Dare was with them or not, but Raymond and Clyde split up over the split of the money from that job.

"The night of January 26, 1934, out on the road between Boyd and Paradise, Texas, they all talked about having burglarized the National Guard Armory at Ranger, Texas. Sometime after that I saw two Browning Automatic Rifles and six 45 automatic pistols and two German Lager Pistols, in the wall at Floyd Hamilton's house in West Dallas. Floyd took off a board and we got the pistols out of the wall and I picked out the best one. I was arrested in Dallas on April 8, 1934, in Dallas and I had had that pistol about three weeks then. I must have got it about March 18, 1934. Mildred was in the kitchen when I got the gun. She knew I got the pistol.

"Clyde and Bonnie came in to Dallas a lot of times down the Northwest Highway to a cross road where there is a dairy on both sides of the highway. He turns right there toward Irvin.

"Clyde always meets his mother around on back roads in these hills around Irvin and Sewers. He has to meet his mother if he is going to eat and get clean clothes. Clyde will not go inside of a bank to rob it. The only thing he

will rob is a man on a highway or knock over a little filling station.

There are only two boys I know of who the Barrows will send out to meet Clyde - they are Baldy Whitley and Nick Cassio.

"Billie Parker was Henry Methvin's woman friend, but she gave Palmer, Methvin and Raymond the gonorrhea, and they all got to quarrelling and sent her home.

"Both Clyde and Bonnie are afflicted with gonorrhea. They quarrel a great deal.

"I know of no one who carries messages to Mrs. Barrow for Clyde. After Raymond got out and he and Clyde were together old man Davis who lives South of Arlington, would bring word into Floyd. After Mary Chambliss O'Dare went with Raymond, her father, Joe Chambliss brought word into Floyd three times. I saw him at Floyd's house twice.

"Mary O'Dare and I were talking the other night, April 26, while the Rangers had us in a car about how dirty Clyde and Bonnie would let their clothes and persons get. She said while she and Raymond were with them up North around Terre Haute, Ind. she and Raymond would break the ice on creeks to bathe their faces and hands, and brush their teeth, and Clyde and Bonnie would sit in the car and make fun of them. She also said Bonnie is pregnant, about six months.

"I have a signed contract with Asst. Dist. Attorney Winter King, and one of the District Judges of Dallas County, and by District Attorney Greenwood and the District Judge of Houston County, Texas, that I will not be proceeded in the State Courts. I do, however, intend to plead guilty in Federal Court to possession of the .45-automatic pistol stolen from the Ranger, Texas, National Guard Armory, knowing it to have been a Government Property.

"The above statement is made by me at Dallas, Texas, this 28th day of April, 1934, to Special Agent C.B. Winstead, Division of Investigation, U.S. Dept. of Justice, voluntarily, without promise of reward or immunity and without threat or force."

Witness:

(signed) JAMES MURKIN.

C.B. Winstead, Special Agent,

Division of Investigation, U.S. Dept. of Justice, Dallas.

C.O. Buchanan, Dallas Police Dept., Dallas, Texas.

Floyd Hamilton is being held by the State Authorities for prosecution in connection with the Grand Prairie Bank Robbery, and Mary O'Dare is under charges of bank robbery in Waco, McLennan County, Texas, jointly with Raymond Hamilton, who is under indictment at Dallas, Texas, and will be tried within the next few days for robbery of the bank at Lancaster, Texas, and he is also under indictment at Denton, Texas for robbery of the Lewisville, Texas, Bank.

Agent was informed, confidentially, on May 1, 1934, that the State Grand Jury at Waco, Texas, next Monday will return an indictment against Raymond Hamilton and Mary O'Dare for kidnaping, as just after Raymond Hamilton robbed the West, Texas, Bank he wrecked his car and kidnaped a woman in order to steal her car and made her ride with him and Mary O'Dare from that point to Houston, Texas, where he released her the next morning.

The State Officers released Mary O'Dare on \$5000.00 bond at Waco, Texas, and she is reported now to be back in Wichita Falls, Texas, where Agent E.J. Dowd of the Dallas Division Office will endeavor to contact her. Efforts will be made to corroborate statements made by Mallen to the effect that Billie Parker, (Bonnie Parker's sister), and Mary O'Dare actually associated with and aided fugitives Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker - Federal Fugitives - in avoiding apprehension.

On May 1, 1934, a complaint was filed against Jimmy Mallen before U.S. Commissioner Lee R. Smith at Dallas, Texas, in which he was charged with having knowingly and in his possession stolen Government Property, to-wit: 45-automatic Government Pistol, No. 339612, to which charge on the same date he pleaded guilty, waived hearing and was committed to the custody of the United States Marshal in default of bail in the sum of \$5000.00. He is now being held in the Tarrant County Jail at Ft. Worth, Texas.

Description from questioning and personal observation:

Name: James Mallen, w.o.
Age: 40
Ht.: 5' 7"
Wt.: 135
Build: slender
Hair: grey - high on forehead
Eyes: blue
Comp.: light
Nativity: Williamsport, Pa.
Scars: In. middle finger at mid. joint; 1 1/2" out on chin; 1 1/2" sc. R. forehead at edge of hair vert.
Tattoo: Bulldog head above R. knee
Woman's head above L. knee
Anchor in. L. calf

Girl's head right arm at shoulder
Cross & Scroll on muscle R. Arm.
Horse head R. forearm in.
Dagger & Scroll L. Arm upper.

Teeth: Front discolored, all up. jaw teeth out.
Mar. Status: single
Dallas P.D. No. 12,275.
Fingerprints and photo at Dallas P.D. and Division.

Criminal record:

Admits 4 Federal Penitentiary Terms
(2 thefts from interstate commerce
(2 narcotic law violations
& State Penitentiary Terms
(2 Pennsylvania - larceny and burglary.
(1 Michigan - burglary - night
(1 Texas - burglary.

The photograph and fingerprints of James Mallen are being forwarded to the Division under separate cover.

PENDING.

420 Federal Building,
Dallas, Texas.

May 3, 1934.

Director,
Division of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D.C.

Re: CLYDE CHAMBERLAIN BARROW, r.s.,
FUGITIVE, I.O. #1811; et al.
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

Dear Sir:

Reference letter Dallas Division Office, dated February
3, 1934, and Division Letter to the Dallas Office dated February
28, 1934.

It is requested that Identification Order #1811 be re-
issued and both the photographs of Barrow and his woman companion
Bonnie Parker, be placed thereon. For that purpose there are en-
closed herewith a photograph of each Barrow and Bonnie Parker
which are considered the best available likenesses of these
two persons.

While no fingerprints of Bonnie Parker are available,
it is hardly probable that same would be of a great deal of as-
sistance in locating her. She is constantly with Barrow, and
they never leave the automobile in which they are riding for
more than a few minutes at a time. According to our best in-
formation they sleep in the car, and have not slept in a bed
since Clyde's brother, Buck Barrow, was killed in a fight with
officers at Dexter, Iowa, last July. Both Clyde Barrow and
Bonnie Parker have stated they will never be captured alive.

Corrections and additions as to Clyde Barrow's
relatives:

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Father - Henry Barrow, Dallas, Texas (R.F.D. #6)
Mother - Ounie Barrow, same address
Sisters: Marie Barrow, " "
Mrs. Artie Winkler, Ganger Hotel Apartments, Dallas.
Mrs. Nellie Cowan, " " "
Brother: L.C. Barrow, County Jail, Dallas, Texas.
Aunts: Mrs. Jim Michaelroy, Martinsville, Texas.
Mrs. Belle Briggs, Dallas, Texas.
Cousins: D. Brown, Martinsville, Texas.
Bertha Graham, Tyler, Texas.
Glen and Hommie Linthicum, San Angelo, Texas.
Uncles: Frank Barrow, Eureka (Hemphill County), Texas.
Jim Barrow, Streetsman, Texas.

Addition to description of Clyde Barrow:

"Bullet wound through both legs just above knees."

Addition to description of Bonnie Parker:

Name - Mrs. Roy Thornton, (nee Bonnie Parker)

Wounds - Bullet in left knee.

Peculiarities: Walks with both knees slightly bucked."

Should the Division issue an Identification Order bearing the photographs of both Barrow and Parker, it is requested that the Dallas Division Office be supplied with 200 additional copies thereof.

Very truly yours,

F.J. BLAKE,
Special Agent in Charge.

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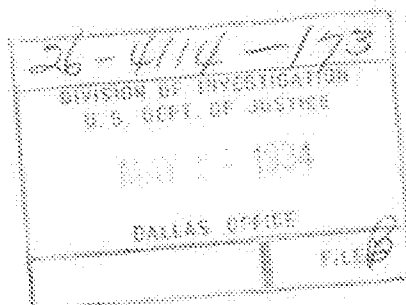
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BONNIE PARKER OTHER MAN NOT BELIEVED METHVIN STOP FURNISH
TELEGRAPHIC DESCRIPTION JOE PALMER MENTIONED NEWORLEANS LETTER
TO DIVISION APRIL THIRTIETH SEND PALMERS PHOTOGRAPH HERE AIR MAIL
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26-5779

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Building,
Dallas, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Re: Clyde Champion Barrow, w. a.-Fugitive
I. O. 1211, et al
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act

Mr. J. L. Graham, Assistant Postmaster, Oklahoma City Post Office, has just come into this office and brought the enclosed envelope postmarked at Beaumont, Texas, April 20, 1934, 4:30 p. m., and addressed to Bonnie Barrow, in care of General Delivery, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, together with a photograph of Miss Mildred Yount of Beaumont, Texas. In the picture, Miss Yount is shown mounted on a horse, the photograph being headed, "\$4,000,000 Inheritance Makes Her Richest Girl in Texas." As you will note, across the photograph, which is taken from a newspaper, is written, "Bonnie: Meet you and Clyde in Dallas on 27th to work on this --", signed "Rug."

From the notation on the photograph, it would appear that the letter was intended for Bonnie Barrow. However, Mr. Graham advises that the letter was delivered at the General Delivery window today to a man by the name of Barrow who immediately returned the letter to Mr. Graham, stating that it certainly was not for him.

This office has received no indication that Bonnie Barrow or Clyde Barrow are or have been at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. However, this information is being transmitted to you with the thought that you might possibly desire to communicate with the mother of Mildred Yount, who may have received a ransom note or threatening letter. On the other hand, this letter, of course, may be from some publicity hound or some "smart aleck". However, it is felt that in view of the circumstances, this envelope and photograph should be forwarded to you for such attention as you deem it merits.

Very truly yours,

Lawrence M. Black
LAWRENCE M. BLACK, Acting

Special Agent in Charge, DALLAS OFFICE

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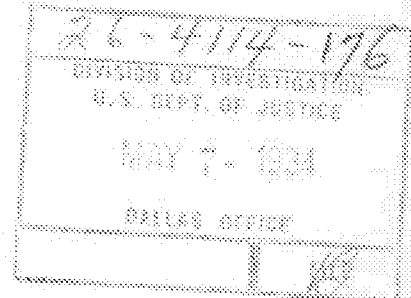
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326½ Post Office Building,
New Orleans, La.
May 5, 1934.



Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Building,
Dallas, Texas.

Dear Sir:-

Re: Clyde Champion Barrow, with aliases,
Fugitive, I. O. 1211, et al.
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

Confirming our telephone conversation of even date, you are advised that Special Agent L. A. Kindell advised me by telephone from Shreveport, Louisiana, today, that Chief of Police D. D. Bazer, at Shreveport, had just informed him that he, Bazer, has received information which he considers reliable, that Barrow is contacting and possibly hiding out with one Williams and a party named Earl Draw, both of whom reside at or in the vicinity of Shelbyville, Texas, which is supposed to be about seven miles from Center, Texas.

According to the information furnished Agent Kindell by Chief Bazer, a Doctor Windrum (phonetic), of Shelbyville, is familiar with all of the details of the alleged contacts, is supposed to be cooperative, and it is believed by Chief Bazer that an informant or definite source of information can be established through the Doctor.

According to Chief Bazer, Barrow has been in touch with Williams or Draw in the vicinity of Shelbyville recently, and is expected back within the next day or so.

Agent Kindell stated he did not press Chief Bazer concerning the source of his information but, according to the Agent, Chief Bazer has a man on his police force at Shreveport who is originally from the vicinity of Shelbyville or Center, Texas. This man is thought to have recently visited in that section, and the Agent is of the opinion that Chief Bazer's information came through this member of his force. Agent Kindell advised that Chief Bazer seemed to think that the information as above furnished is reliable and worthy of attention.

Very truly yours,

R. Whitley
R. Whitley,
Special Agent in Charge.

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W. C. ENLOE

JAILOR

L. E. SNIPP, DEPUTY

Mr. J. J. Blake
Dallas Texas

Dear Sir:

Mr. Doctor wrote in wanting
copies of the papers of old newspapers
of Hamilton. He may be the one
that operated on his nose. Though
you might want to investigate.

Yours Truly

J. B. Davis

26-4114-177

420 Post Office Building,
Dallas, Texas.

May 8, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice,
P.O. Box 1487,
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Sir:-

The enclosed card of Dr. Francis Reder, St. Louis, was forwarded to me by Sheriff J. Benton Davis, Sherman, Texas - with the explanation that he was in receipt of a letter from this Doctor desiring copies of a paper containing the write-up of the capture of RAYMOND HAMILTON, associate of CLYDE BARROW.

It was the opinion of the Sheriff that this Doctor may be engaged in treating gun-shot wounds for criminals; and it is passed to you for your information.

Very truly yours,

F.J. Blake,
Special Agent in Charge.

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1212 Smith Young Tower
San Antonio, Texas.
May 8, 1934.

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Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
625 Lafayette Bldg.,
Detroit, Michigan.

CLYDE CHAMPION BARROW, Fugitive
I. O. #1194
Nat'l B. Y. T. Act

Dear Sir:

In the above entitled case wherein Dallas is the office of origin, no comment is necessary as to the identity of Clyde Champion Barrow.

Bonnie Parker, the partner of Barrow, and who is constantly with him, has a half sister named Nellie Gonzales residing near Harwood, Gonzales County, Texas, and it is strongly suspected that this place is an occasional cooling off spot for Barrow and Bonnie Parker.

Mary Gonzales, sister of Nellie Gonzales, disappeared from Harwood about one month ago and from a mail cover on the mail of Nellie Gonzales, it was found that Mary Gonzales is communicating with her sister from 1081 Victoria Street, Detroit, Mich.

It is not beyond a possibility that Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker may be using Mary Gonzales and the address in Detroit as a cooling off place. I would suggest that a discreet inquiry and survey be made of that address and a cover be placed on the mail of Mary Gonzales.

It is needless to state that Clyde Barrow is considered one of the most dangerous killers at large today.

Very truly yours, MAY 9 - 1934

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One T. Jones,
Special Agent in Charge.

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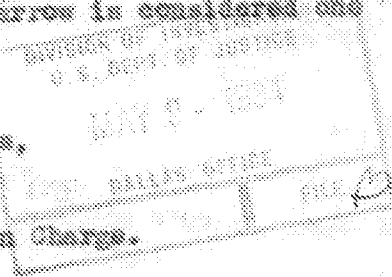
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| REPORT MADE AT: DALLAS, TEXAS. | DATE WHEN MADE: 3-3-34 | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 5/1-3/34 | REPORT MADE BY: F.S. DASH. |
| TITLE: RAYMOND HAMILTON; SONNIE RANGER; JOE PALMER; | | | CHARACTER OF CASE: CLYDE C. BARNOR; HENRY MEUVIN; MILTON STACE. THREAT OF GOVERNMENT PROPERTY. |

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

National Guard Armory at Ranger, Texas, robbed on 3-19-34; 4 Browning Automatic Rifles and 13 Colt 45-calibre automatic pistols stolen. One rifle and pistol recovered from Henry Brown of Dallas, Texas. Investigation definitely establishes above subjects responsible for robbery. Raymond Hamilton, fugitive from Texas State Penitentiary, apprehended 4-25-34 at Howe, Texas.

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DETAILS:

Wayne G. Hickey, Captain, Company I, 142nd Infantry, Commanding, of Ranger, Texas, reported to the Dallas Division Office that the National Guard Armory, located at Ranger, Texas, was burglarized on the night of February 19, 1934, and four Browning Automatic Rifles and 13 45-automatic Colt Pistols were stolen.

Capt. Hickey on being interviewed by the writer, stated that on the morning of February 20, 1934, he was advised by Guy Pledger, night policeman of Ranger, Texas, that the Armory at Ranger had been broken into that night; that in company with Mr. Pledger he inspected the Armory and found the front door had been broken open and marks on the door and the door jammed, showing a sharp instrument had been inserted and the door pried loose; that they also found that the padlock to the orderly room had been twisted loose from the hasp and the mutilated padlock lying on the floor; that a steel pinch-bar about two feet long was near the door which they presumed was used by the robbers to effect their entrance; that the door to the supply room No. 2 had been pried open in the same manner and the mutilated padlock lying on the floor; that the supply room No. 1 was also broken into and the padlock and broken parts of the hasp lying on the floor near the door; that the padlock to the gun rack holding the Browning Automatic Rifles

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had been twisted loose and four Browning Automatic Rifles were missing; that the padlock to the combination pistol and rifle rack had been broken and 13 Colt Automatic Pistols, 45-calibre, 1911 model, were missing.

Capt. Hickey, after surveying the damage and the loss, compiled a list of the property missing, which is set out herein:

Browning Automatic Rifles, 30 calibre, serial numbers:

118731 210644 116410 71637.

Colt Automatic Pistols, 45-calibre, 1911 model, serial numbers:

366354 37437 616034 61268 33199 336139

542001 544547 337318 566341 9476 239612 336167.

On April 15, 1934, one Ernest Brown, Henry Brown and Willie Heblie were arrested by the Sheriff's Office at Dallas, Texas, and two Browning Automatic Army Rifles, 30-calibre, numbers 331907 and 71673, with a quantity of ammunition clips were recovered. Subsequent investigation developed that the Browning Automatic Rifle No. 71673 was one of the guns stolen from the Armory at Ranger, Texas.

The facts in connection therewith are set out in report of Special Agent F.S. Dunn, dated at Dallas, Texas, 4-20-34, entitled RAYMOND HAMILTON, et al; Theft of Government Property; Dallas file: 33-154.

Reference is also made to report of Special Agent C.B. Winstead, dated at Dallas, Texas, 3-3-34, entitled James Mullen, w.a.; Possession Stolen Government Property - Harboring Fugitives, Dallas file: 33-163, from whom Deputy Sheriff Bob Adams of Dallas recovered one Army Colt Automatic Pistol, 45-calibre, 1911 model, No. 333612, which proved to have been stolen from the Armory at Ranger, Texas, was interviewed by Special Agent Winstead, as reflected in said report, which statement involves all of the above subjects in the robbery and theft of the Armory at Ranger, Texas.

Raymond Hamilton, who escaped from the Texas State Penitentiary on January 16, 1934, was apprehended at Nowa, Texas, on April 23, 1934, after robbery of the First National Bank of Lewisville, Texas on the same date, and is now in the County Jail at Dallas, Texas, awaiting trial.

Mr. Credo Owens, District Attorney for Eastland, Texas, advised the writer that L.C. Keel, Jim Vinson, Jimmy Fox, Otis Debbas were arrested on March 20, 1934, and that he charged them with burglary and theft of the Armory at Ranger, Texas, on information which he received concerning their activities in holding mass meetings near Ranger, Texas prior to the robbery, at which time speeches were made by Keel and his gang in an endeavor to arouse the workers to overthrow the Government of the United States, and had made statements to the effect that they were ready to seize

the Armory at Ranger, Texas, and through other similar statements the officers concluded these parties were guilty of the Armory theft at Ranger, Texas.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Joe H. Jones, Dallas, Texas, was present during the conference the writer had with Mr. Owens, and there was detailed to Mr. Owens the developments in connection with the recovery of some of the property stolen from the Ranger, Texas, Armory, and complaints had been filed, and Mr. Owens was convinced that none of the aforementioned parties on whom he had filed state charges were guilty and intimated that these charges would be dismissed.

Description of Milton Bybee, as obtained from the Sheriff's Office at Breckenridge, Texas:

Name: Milton Bybee
Age: 26
Ht.: 5' 6"
Wt.: 165
Build: slim
Hair: dark brown
Eyes: blue
Comp.: rallow.
F.P.C.: 51 19 12
 27 03 16.

Descriptions as obtained from Dallas file: 62-164:

Name: Joe Palmer
Texas S.P. No. 47217, 57240, 61486.
Age: 37 (1909)
Ht.: 5' 6 1/2"
Wt.: 135
Hair: blond
Eyes: blue gr.
Comp. fair
Nativity: Oklahoma.
Scars: III sm. ct. rt. center forehead.
 Irregular cut scar rt. side of nose.
F.P.C.: 22/ 25 I 24
 19 I 21.
Relatives: Chas. & Nora Palmer (mother & father)
 San Antonio, Texas - 1743 Division Ave.
 Joy Hall - sister, San Antonio, Texas,
 1702 W. Kimble Ave.
Occ.: printer
Marital status: single
Res.: Ft. Worth, Texas.
Criminal record: 6-21-29, rec'd Huntsville, Texas,
Prison from Limestone Co., crime robbery with fire-
arms; sentence 25 years.
1-15-34 escaped from Eastham State Farm.

Name: Henry Methvin

Age: 20 (1931)

Ht.: 5' 9 1/2"

Wt.: 170

Hair: brown

Eyes: blue

Comp.: fair

Nativity: Louisiana.

Tattoo: Dagger pierced heart & ltrs "LOVE" rt fa. in

F.P.C.: 14/ $\frac{23}{19}$ $\frac{9}{01}$ $\frac{18}{18}$.

Criminal record:

2-21-31 received Huntsville Texas Prison from
Refugio Co., crime theft & assault to murder;
sentence 10 years.

1-16-34 escaped from Eastham State Farm.

Relatives: I.T. Methvin (f) Avis Methvin (m)

Cecil Methvin (b) Terrel Methvin (b) all of
Coushatta, La.

Name: Raymond Hamilton

Dallas P.D. #10881

Age: 19 (1932)

Ht.: 5' 6 1/2"

Wt.: 158

Hair: blond

Eyes: blue

Comp.: medium

Build: slender

Res.: MFD 64, Box 101, Dallas, Texas.

Nativity: Wadsworth, Okla.

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Criminal record:

12-6-32 arr. at Bay City, Mich., and returned to
Dallas, charge robbery with firearms; 2 bonds and
one pay roll.

9-30-31 tried in Dallas Dist. Court No. 2 - Judge
Pippen, theft over \$50.00 - automobile; 3 years in
State Penitentiary; suspended.

1-27-32 McKinney, Texas, S.O. #1824; auto theft;
broke jail.

10-20-33 Texas State Pen. #74811 - Fayette & Hill
Counties - robbery by firearms and murder; sentenced
life.

1-18-34 escaped Eastern State Pen.

Name: Clyde Champion Barrow
Age: 23
Ht.: 5' 7"
Wt.: 150
Build: med.
Hair: dark brown, wavy, reported dyed black
Eyes: hazel
Comp.: light
marks: shield and anchor with U.S.N. on right
4-arm out-r; girl's bust left inner forearm
Res.: West Dallas, Texas.
Relatives: Mrs. Charlie F. Barrow, mother, S.R. 6,
Dallas, Texas. I.O. Barrow, brother,
same address.
Mrs. Ortis Wilber, sister, Denison, Texas.
Mrs. Clyde Barrow, alias Bonnie Parker,
probably accompanying Barrow.
Mrs. Emma Parker, mother of Mrs. Clyde
Barrow, Dallas, Texas.

Criminal record:

As Clyde C. Barrow. No. 6048 arr. PD, Dallas,
12-3-28; charge, auto theft; indictment dismissed.

As Clyde Barrow, No. 6048 arr. PD, Dallas, 10-18-29
charge attempted burglary and safe burglary; indict-
ment quashed.

As Clyde Barrow, alias Elvin Williams, No. 414, arr.
PD, Waco, Texas, 2-2-30; charge, burglary; sentence
14 years Texas S.P., escaped Co. Jail, Waco, 3-11-30.

As Clyde Barrow, No. 765, arr. PD, Middletown, Ohio,
3-18-30, charge, fugitive.

As Clyde Barrow, No. 63827, rec. Texas S.P.,
Huntsville, Texas, 4-21-30 from McLennan Co.;
charge burglary, theft over and from the person; sent-
ence 14 years (7-2's, cum); paroled 2-2-32.

Name: Bonnie Parker
Age: 20
Ht.: 5' 4"
Wt.: 90
Build: slender
Hair: blond, long bob, may be bonneted
Eyes: blue
Comp.: fair
Bullet wound left foot next little toe
Burned scar Rt. leg
bullet left knee
Nativity: Texas.

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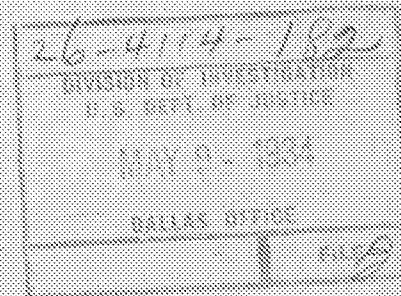
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N B HALL CHIEF POLICE.

*This information furnished Dallas and Houston Police Departments 5/9/34
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TREASURY DEPARTMENT

BUREAU OF INDUSTRIAL ALCOHOL

Ft Worth, Texas, May 9, 1934.

OFFICE OF
SUPERVISOR OF PERMITS
DISTRICT NO.

IN REPLY REFER TO

Ft Worth, Texas.

Investigator in charge.
503 Federal Bldg.
Dallas, Texas.

Dear Sir;

On May 8, 1934 information was received by the undersigned that may be of use to the Department of Justice at Dallas, Texas, said information being as follows.

That on Sunday May 6, 1934 Clyde Barrow visited his mother at his Aunt's place, located in the town of Martinsville, Texas, her name being Muckelroy, and her husband's name being Jim Muckelroy.

Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker drove in the yard of the Muckelroy Place on Sunday morning, a boy and girl had come to this place with Mrs Barrow (Clyde Barrow's Mother) this boy left the house and went to the car, which was a V-8 Ford Coupe of Coach, the car was then driven a short distance away and stopped, the boy had a long talk with Clyde and Bonnie and then came back to the house.

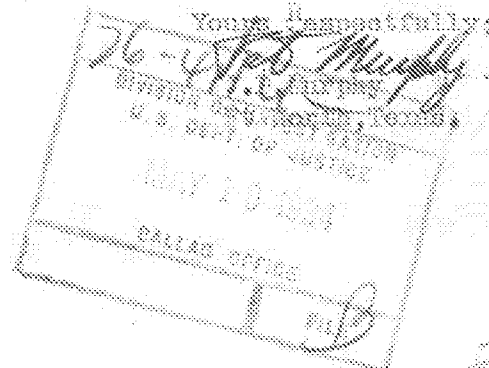
Mrs Barrow is supposed to have seen Clyde two or three times a month, arrangements being made at each meeting as to where the next one will be.

Respectfully,

Bonnie Parker has a girl friend at ~~Martinsville~~, Tex, where they stop and spend the night when they are in that section of the State.

How long Barrow stayed at this place is not known, the above incident happened about 10 a.m. Sunday morning.

Yours Respectfully,



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UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

DALLAS, TEXAS.

FILE NO.

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| REPORT MADE AT: DALLAS, TEXAS. | DATE WHEN MADE: 5-11-34 | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 5/6-10/34 | REPORT MADE BY: C.B. WINSTAD. |
| TITLE: CLYDE CHAMPION BARROW, w.s. - FUGITIVE, I.O. #1211; et al. | | | CHARACTER OF CASE: NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT. |

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Earl Daw, Shelbyville, claims he saw Clyde Barrow and two other persons in Chevrolet Coupe about three weeks ago; that Clayton Lout was going to steal a car for Clyde at Shelbyville. Walter Williams, Centre, Texas, Clyde Barrow's cousin by marriage, has not seen Clyde in two years. Barrow and party identified as being in Monroe Barkett's pasture at San Augustine, Texas April 12 to 16th; this place now covered.

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REFERENCE:

Letter from New Orleans Office, dated May 8, 1934.

DETAILS:

It was well known to the local officers at Centre, Texas, that Earl Daw, an ex-convict and "moonshiner" at Shelbyville, had broadcast information to the effect that he had seen Clyde Barrow one night about midnight drive up to the public well in the village of Shelbyville, Texas, and meet a young man by the name of Clayton Lout, who formerly lived at Shelbyville.

DETAILS:

Constable F.C. Peace at Centre, Texas, stated that Earl Daw stays drunk most of the time and when sober is unable to tell the truth about anything, or give a connected story.

Dr. Windham, who resides at Shelbyville, was interviewed and there can be no doubt about Dr. Windham's good character and intense interest in aiding the officers in connection with the apprehension of Clyde Barrow. Dr. Windham stated that he had heard about Earl Daw claiming to have seen Clyde, and he went to Daw and Daw told him about midnight Clyde and three or four other

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fellows drove up to the public wall at Shelbyville in a Chevrolet Coupe and that he talked with them; that Daw told him he knew Clyde because he (Daw) had arrived at the penitentiary a short time before Clyde was paroled.

Agent located Earl Daw, and he stated that one night about three weeks or a month ago, three men - one of whom was Clayton Lout - whose mother is his (Daw's) wife's sister, appeared in Shelbyville and that about an hour later Clyde Barrow and two other persons drove up in a Chevrolet Coupe; that Clyde got out of the car and stood out in front of the car in the lights, and he walked up to Clyde and engaged him in conversation; that about all Clyde Barrow said to him was that his car was burned out and that he was broke; that then Clayton Lout came up and he and Clyde walked off and had a talk; that he learned from Clayton that he was there to steal a new Chevrolet Car from a local citizen and that Clayton Lout, after talking with Clyde Barrow, told him that he was going to trade the new car which he was going to steal, to Barrow, for the car which Barrow was driving, as Barrow's car was not "hot"; that he (Daw) talked Clayton Lout out of stealing the local gentleman's car and also talked Lout out of holding up a card game which was in progress in one of the small stores in Shelbyville that night.

Daw stated he knew both Clyde and Buck Barrow in the walls of the penitentiary at Huntsville, Texas, as Clyde Barrow was in the hospital when he arrived at the penitentiary, being treated for having amputated one of his toes with an ax.

Daw stated that he would be able to identify Clyde Barrow's picture, and Agent handed him a number of snap shots, among which were one or two of Agent, and he immediately identified Agent's photograph as Clyde Barrow. Daw stated that Clayton Lout is the son of Bud Lout; that Bud Lout lives at Plano, Texas where he is employed in a cotton gin; that Bud Lout, after moving from the Shelbyville neighborhood, was apprehended, prosecuted and served a penitentiary sentence for violation of the State liquor law. He also stated that Clayton Lout is a liquor runner and hangs out around Fairfield, Texas; that Clayton is about 23 years of age; about 5' 7" in height; weighs about 150 pounds; has sandy hair, curly; has a bald spot in the back of his head.

A Mr. Garland, who formerly operated an auto rental agency in Dallas and was sentenced to the Federal Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas for violation of the liquor law, recently informed Agent that several years ago Barrow rented an auto from him which he kept overtime; that he learned after the car had been gone several days that Clyde had taken his sweetheart and her mother down into East Texas - White City (San Augustine County); that he notified the Sheriff at San Augustine and asked him to recover the automobile for him; that the Sheriff located the house where Clyde was visiting and upon approaching the house Clyde made his escape after the Sheriff shot at him several times, and the car was recovered; that later

in Dallas he (Garland) located Clyde, picked him up and brought him into the Sheriff's Office; that he did not recall the name of the girl and her mother whom Clyde took to East Texas on that occasion nor the names of the persons with whom they visited.

Recently a paid informant (BAILEY TYNE) informed the Dallas Division Office that Mr. Henry Barrow, Clyde's father, stated that the family did not know just where Clyde was at that time but he had some very good friends down in San Augustine County, Texas, and might be in hiding at their place, and that Clyde became acquainted with these friends through a girl with whom he used to associate and whom he would have married but for her mother's objections; that this girl is Ebbie Williams and is employed in one of the larger stores in Dallas, Texas.

Detective Lieutenant, Doug Walsh of the Dallas Police Department, informed the Dallas Division Office that a letter had been received by a young lady working in one of the larger department stores in Dallas, from San Augustine, Texas, signed only "Mona", and that she was advised in this letter that Clyde had recently been "here". Mr. Walsh further stated that his informant did not know who the writer Mona was.

Pink Vaughn, who is a native of San Augustine County, Texas, now a Special Texas Ranger, employed by the Texas Petroleum Corporation, called Agent by long distance telephone at Center, Texas, from Joaquin, Texas, on the night of May 9, 1934, and stated that recently he had gone down into San Augustine County to see what he could learn as to the whereabouts of Clyde, at the request of former Sheriff "Judge" Wilkinson; that "Judge" Wilkinson, when Sheriff, attempted to arrest Clyde Barrow several years ago and at that time Barrow was visiting with some people by the name of Burkett between White City and San Augustine.

Mr. Vaughn was leaving Joaquin shortly after his call to Agent, for Shreveport, where he may be located at Kikapoo Camp No. 3, which is a tourist camp on the Mansfield Highway, at Shreveport.

NOTE: For the information of the New Orleans Division Office, Mr. Vaughn is a personal friend of this Agent and will cooperate in every way with an Agent of the Division to the extent of furnishing transportation and physical assistance.

Mrs. A. Wade, Postmaster, San Augustine, Texas, stated that she personally knows a Mona Burkett, who resides about twenty miles South of San Augustine, Texas, but who gets her mail on a rural route out of White City.

Constable W.C. Peece of Centre, Texas, informed Agent that former Sheriff (now Special Ranger) H.J. "Judge" Wilkinson of San Augustine, Texas, who also is at present a candidate for Sheriff in that County, had located a place in San Augustine County recently where Clyde Barrow, Bonnie Parker and another man and a woman had remained for about three days and that it would be well to talk with "Judge" Wilkinson before making any investigation in San Augustine County.

H.J. "Judge" Wilkinson, who was Sheriff of San Augustine County for sixteen consecutive years, informed Agent that three or four Rangers, headed by one who called himself Capt. Robbins, called on him three or four weeks ago to work out points in San Augustine County where Clyde Barrow might be in hiding; that as he had attempted to arrest Barrow at one time at the home of Monroe Burkett about twenty miles South of San Augustine, near Hearburn School, they went down there; that this was on a Monday about three weeks ago, but the exact date could be determined from the hotel register at Centre, Texas, as the Rangers arrived there on Saturday and they made this trip on the following Monday; that when they got to the vicinity of the Burkett place he got out and went around the pasture and past near a house; that he subsequently learned that the son of the man who lives at the house had two gallons of whiskey, and upon seeing him decided that he was trying to catch them with the liquor, and this boy took his liquor down on the creek in that vicinity and there ran on to Clyde, Bonnie Parker and another man and a woman, in a Ford V-8 Sedan, hid in the woods. This location was in the Burkett pasture.

This country is densely covered by pine timber.

On the following day the man came to Mr. Wilkinson and informed him that Barrow had been there since the preceding Friday night and left that Monday night about 11: o'clock and went out on the road toward Lufkin. Since that time Mr. Wilkinson has obtained the services of a neighbor of Burkett's, who is watching for Barrow and his party to return, and Mr. Wilkinson stated that he will be notified within one hour after they come into Burkett's place the next time.

Mr. Wilkinson stated that he would be glad to notify the Dallas Division Office immediately upon ascertaining any information concerning the location of Barrow, but that if they come into the Burkett place again he intends to get about six men he can trust and go down and get him.

Mr. Wilkinson stated that Ebbie Williams and her mother reside in Dallas, Texas, where Ebbie works in a department store and that Mrs. Williams and Mrs. Burkett are sisters; that Mrs. Williams has two sons in Dallas who are working in garages, and one Arthur Williams might be in a position to contact Clyde Barrow; that Mona Burkett is Monroe Burkett's daughter and teaches school in the vicinity of their home.

"Judge" Wilkinson also stated that while the Rangers were down in that country in April, they went over to Martinsville and arrested D. Brown and his father-in-law, as Brown is known to be related to Clyde Barrow; that a search of his bear joint revealed whiskey and he was placed in jail at San Augustine for a few days; that Brown did not give any information whatsoever except to state that he did not know Clyde Barrow and that so far as he knew he had never seen him, although he believed he was distantly related to him.

A check of the Polley Hotel Register at Center discloses that Hanger Robbins and three companions registered on Saturday, April 14, 1934; therefore, Barrow and his companions were in the Burkett pasture below San Augustine from Friday night, April 13 to Monday, April 16.

Sheriff Chelson, Carthage, Texas, recovered a new tan or sand-colored Ford V-8 Sedan on Sunday, April 1, 1934, where it had been abandoned Saturday night, March 31. He stated that this car did not bear any license numbers when recovered, but through the motor number which he did not have, he established the same had been sold shortly before the last of March at Joplin, Missouri, by the Ford Agency, to a local Joplin Citizen who had driven the car from the Agency to his home about eight blocks away and left it in front while he went into the house, and upon his return shortly afterwards the car was gone. In this car were found a piece of chamois skin, two 32-automatic shells and one 45-automatic shell, a piece of a paper match box with the printed words Kilgore, Texas thereon, a small piece of leather which appears to have been cut from a pistol scabbard, and an empty Camel Cigarette Package.

It will be recalled the car used by Barrow on Easter Sunday and several days thereafter when he killed the two State Highway Officers above Dallas and killed the officer at Miami, Oklahoma, he was in a Ford Car which had been stolen a few days prior thereto at Shreveport, La.

The country lane near DeBerry, Texas where the car was abandoned which was recovered by Sheriff Chelson, is in the vicinity of the highway which leads from Shreveport, Louisiana, to Carthage, Tyler and various other Texas points. It is most probable that Barrow abandoned the car stolen at Joplin, Missouri, and he and his companions then proceeded on to Dallas in the car stolen in Shreveport. It will be noted that the Missouri License Plates were missing from the abandoned car.

At Center, Texas, Walter Williams, Rural Route Carrier, stated that his wife, is a daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Jim Muckelroy, who reside at Martinsville, Texas. Mrs. Muckelroy is Mrs. Cume Barrow's sister. Williams stated that last Sunday, May 6 he and his wife were at the Muckelroy place and that Mrs. Cume Barrow, accompanied by Joe Francis, Marie Barrow and an old lady by the name of Mrs. H. Remous and D. Brown, were also at the Muckelroy Farm; that they were congregated there for

the purpose of going over some papers, executing power of attorney for some lawyer to endeavor to recover property formerly owned by one of their ancestors located in the oil field at Conroe, Texas. Williams stated that Mrs. Barrow remarked that the officers were trying to cause trouble between Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker, and referred to something she had recently read in the paper; that Mrs. Barrow also stated that Clyde was all right about two weeks ago.

Mr. Williams stated that the last time Clyde Barrow was at his (Williams') home in Centre, Texas, was just about two years ago now; that at that time Clyde drove Mrs. Muckelroy over from Martineville to his (Williams) home in Centre and remained about two hours; that the last time Clyde Barrow was at the Muckelroy place was during corn gathering time in 1932 when he was accompanied by his mother, brother and sister, and by Bonnie Parker, at which time Bonnie shot herself in the foot. Mr. Williams further stated that Mrs. Muckelroy had instructed her sister, Mrs. Camie Barrow, to notify Clyde to never come back to her place or to the Williams' home in Centre anymore; that he (Williams) is a close friend of Constable W.C. Peace of Centre, and that he has promised Mr. Peace that should he ever learn of Clyde's whereabouts he would immediately notify him. He also stated he would notify the Dallas Office by telephone should he learn anything concerning Barrow.

He stated that last Sunday while on the subject of Barrow, D. Brown remarked that he did not remember ever having seen Clyde in his life. Mr. Williams did state, however, that D. Brown is a very poor citizen, has murdered two or three men and would harbor Clyde if he should ever call on him to do so.

He stated that Clyde has no want in San Augustine County; that he does have some distant cousins but the only contacts he can conceive of Clyde Barrow having from that angle would be a sister of Mrs. George Farrish, whose married name is Mrs. Harris, nee Velma Fullam; that she was married by the Muckelroys, and Clyde Barrow knew her when she was just a girl; that at the last account he had of Mrs. Harris she was employed by the Western Union Telegraph Company of Shreveport, La.; that Clyde Barrow knows her and thinks well of her.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

KANSAS CITY OFFICE at Joplin, Missouri, endeavor to obtain the license number of Ford V-8 Sedan stolen there sometime during the latter part of March and recovered in Pando County, near Carthage, Texas on April 1. This car has been released by the Sheriff to either a representative of the insurance company or to the owner, who resides in Joplin, Missouri. It is most likely that Barrow still has the license plates from that car.

NEW ORLEANS OFFICE should endeavor to locate the home address of Mrs. Harris, who is probably employed by the Western Union Telegraph Company at Shreveport, La.

DALLAS OFFICE will interview Bud Lout at Plano, Texas, in an effort to locate his son, Clayton, to either verify or repudiate the statement made by Earl Dev.

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420 Federal Building,
Dallas, Texas.

May 11, 1934.

Director,
Division of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D.C.

Re: CLYDE CLAMPION BARROW - FUGITIVE,
I.O. #1211; et al.
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to report by Special Agent
C.B. Winstead, dated at Dallas, Texas, 5-11-34, in the
above entitled matter, wherein there is set out a de-
scription of three empty pistol cartridges found in a new
Ford V-8 Sedan abandoned and recovered near DeBerry, Panola
County, Texas.

Reference is also made to letter from the Kansas
City Division Office, dated April 30, 1934, addressed to the
Dallas Division Office, which transmitted to the Dallas Of-
fice copy of laboratory report, dated April 23, 1934, re-
garding one unexploded 32-calibre cartridge and a 45-calibre
Colt Automatic Cartridge. This report does not show whether
the unexploded 32-calibre was automatic or revolver type.

However, there are transmitted herewith one ex-
ploded 45-automatic pistol shell and two exploded 32-automatic
pistol cartridges, one of which bears latent fingerprint;
also there is enclosed an empty Camel Cigarette Package which
were taken out of the abandoned car. It is thought that this
print might be that of Clyde Barrow or Henry Methvin; however,
all of these articles have been handled by numerous persons.

Very truly yours,

F.J. BLAKE,
Special Agent in Charge.

CEW:LM

26-4114-185

Waco

Texas

Mrs F. J. Blake.

Dear Sir

I am Ready to go to East
Texas are Dallas I can get
off from my job for about
10/ or 15 days now if you
want me to look around
again for a while write
me and send word and
instructions Mr Myers were
over to see me yesterday
and I have been looking
for him back.

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1631 So 3rd St
Waco, Texas.

420 Post Office Building,
Dallas, Texas.

May 12, 1934.

Mayor R. Theist,
Big Lake, Texas.

Dear Sir:-

Pursuant to request of City Marshal Frank McGuire, I am transmitting herewith a photograph of CLYDE BARROW and BONNIE PARKER - whose descriptions are:

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| Name | CLYDE CHAMPION BARROW | BONNIE PARKER |
| Age | 23 yrs. | 23 yrs. |
| Ht. | 5 ft. 8 in. | 5 ft. 5 in. |
| Wt. | 150 lbs. | 100 lbs. |
| Hair | Dk. brown | Lt. brown |
| Eyes | Hazel | Blue |
| Build | Medium | Slender |
| Complex. | "O" | Fair |
| Marks: | Tattoos: | Bullet wound left |
| | Shield & Anchor with | foot next to little |
| | USA rt. forearm; | toe; burn sc. rt. leg. |
| | girl's bust left forearm. | |

We appreciate very much your interest and that of Marshal McGuire.

Very truly yours,

F.J. Blake,
Special Agent in Charge.

FJB:LMT

26-4114-187

420 Post Office Building,
Dallas, Texas.

May 12, 1934.

Mr. Frank McGuire,
City Marshal,
Big Lake, Texas.

Dear Sir:-

Complying with your request. I am transmitting herewith a photograph of CLYDE BARROW and also one of BONNIE PARKER, who are wanted for various crimes and whose apprehension is desired by the Government for violation of the National Motor Vehicle Theft Act. Their descriptions are:

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| Name | CLYDE CHAMPION BARROW | BONNIE PARKER |
| Age | 23 yrs. | 24 yrs. |
| Ht. | 5 ft. 7 in. | 5 ft. 5 in. |
| Wt. | 150 lbs. | 100 lbs. |
| Hair | Dk. brown | Lt. brown |
| Eyes | Hazel | Blue |
| Bld. | Medium | Slender |
| Complexion | Medium | Light |
| Marks | Tattoos: Shield & anchor with USN rt. forearm; girl's bust left. | Bullet wound left foot next to little toe; burn sc. rt. leg |

We will appreciate any assistance you can render in connection with this matter.

Mr. Shields of the Internal Revenue assures me that an agent of his office will call upon you shortly in connection with the other matter concerning which we talked.

Very truly yours,

F.J. Blake,
Special Agent in Charge.

FJB:IMT

26-414-188

420 Post Office Building,
Dallas, Texas.

May 12, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice,
1216 Smith-Young Tower,
San Antonio, Texas.

RE: Clyde Champion Barrow,
with aliases - FUGITIVE,
I.O. #1211; et al.
KRYTA

Dear Sir:-

I am enclosing herewith an invitation from the
Senior Class of the El Campo High School to its graduation
exercises, addressed to Clyde Barrow, Dallas, Texas; in which
is a personal card of KIMBER NILSON.

You may desire to make inquiry at El Campo relative
to the identity of Nilson.

Very truly yours,

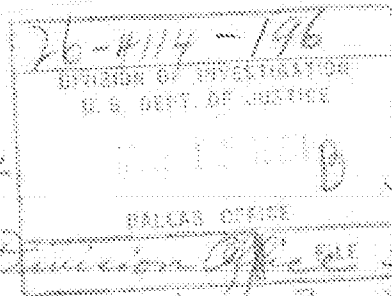
F.J. Blake,
Special Agent in Charge.

SUB: LMT
cc Division
26-4114-189

Memorandum

Re: Mildred Yount

Re: Letter from Oklahoma City Division Office 5-2-24
(encl. 37)



5-12-24

5-2-24

Chief of Police Carl Kennedy Beaumont, Texas stated Mrs. Yount and daughter, Mildred are presently away from the City buying show horses. He receives all extortion letters sent to the Younts and there haven't been any recently. Mr. Yount received several before his death, but these were mainly Crank letters, none of which appeared serious.

The Yount household consists of Mr. & Mrs. Jack Stanbury, friends; Cape Grant, horse trainer, Everett Randall, chauffeur and guard for Mildred and six servants. Lee Conway guards the house at night. He is a former policeman and holds special Police Commission as does Randall.

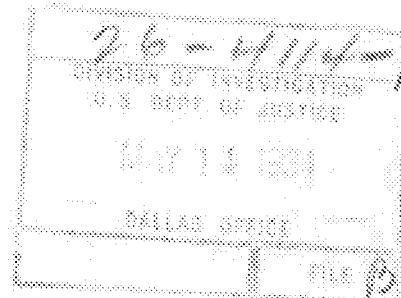
Mildred is adopted daughter. Often lives around town alone. Doesn't go to school - has tutor. Plans are to send her to Hockaday school in Dallas next year.

Chief Kennedy was advised of the information relative to newspaper photo refused to by Oklahoma City letter.

26-4114-190 E.H.W.

Suite 1
Federal Building
Kansas City, Missouri,
May 12, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Building,
Dallas, Texas.



Dear Sir:

RE: CLYDE CHRISTIAN BARRON, with aliases,
IO 1811 - FUGITIVE, ET AL
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

On May 7, 1934, one William Endicott appeared at the Kansas City Division office advising that he was in a position to locate Clyde Barrow of this Division.

Endicott advised that he was presently residing at 1831 North 12th Street, Kansas City, Kansas; is a married man with three children and is presently engaged selling watches of various makes on the road, not working for any particular individual, but merely selling these watches in his own behalf in a legitimate business. He advised that he had formerly been employed by the Southwest Jewelry Company of Old Wyandotte, Kansas City, Missouri, but had a disagreement with the proprietor thereof, as he believed the proprietor was endeavoring to "hold out" on him, keeping more than his share of the business brought in by Endicott. Endicott also stated he was an engraver by trade, and stated that about a month ago, while in Houston, Texas, at the restaurant under the Hotel auditorium, he had seen an individual under the name of Jack Barrow, who he identified as Clyde Barrow from a photograph exhibited to him at this office of the latter. He advised that he also saw a woman with Barrow, who he identified as being Bonnie Parker from a photograph exhibited to him of this woman, stating that Barrow merely referred to her as "honey."

Endicott stated that Barrow wanted him to engrave some whiskey labels in his behalf, but Endicott could not do this. He stated that his entire conversation with Barrow did not last over a half hour, during which time Barrow asked him if he wanted to make some easy money by holding up some places, and Endicott refused saying he had a wife and family.

When asked how he expected to make contact with Barrow he advised that he would contact one Steve Stewart, who was in the "hot" car racket at Houston, and through Stewart would again meet Barrow and endeavor to work with him, notifying this Division, when the opportunity

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presented itself, of Barrow's whereabouts.

From interview with Endicott, it is believed doubtful that he could locate and effect the apprehension of Clyde Barrow, however, the information obtained is being transmitted to you for whatever action you desire to take.

A copy of this letter is being furnished the San Antonio office in the event investigation at Houston, Texas, is desired pursuant to the information set out hereinabove.

Very truly yours,

E. E. CONROY
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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cc-Division
cc-San Antonio
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WEARING VERY LIGHT BLUE HAT BROWN PANTS WHITE SHIRT ABOUT
145 POUNDS WILL BE AT F STATION TONIGHT OR TOMORROW=

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE
DALLAS OFFICE
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Hair - dark
Complexion - fair
Build -

This refers to Francis H. Hargis, who was expected to visit Mr. Harrow

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420 Post Office Building,
Dallas, Texas.

February 6, 1934.

Director,
Division of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D.C.

RE: Clyde Champion Barrow,
with aliases - FUGITIVE,
I.O. #1211; et al.
H.M.V.T.A.

Dear Sir:-

On 2/2/34 the fingerprints of one JOE FRANCIS were forwarded to the Division by the Dallas Police Department under Dallas PD #11973. This information was obtained confidentially.

It is requested that the latent prints secured from the rear-view mirror of Ford V-8 coupe recovered at Gilmer, Texas - forwarded to the Division 1/10/34 and referred to in Division letter of 1/18/34 - be compared with the prints of the said Joe Francis under Dallas PD #11973.

In the event the above numbered print was not forwarded by the Dallas Police Department to the Division, it is requested that the Division not write direct to the Dallas Police Department for this information.

Very truly yours,

D.L. McCormack, Acting
Special Agent in Charge.

CEW:LMF
cc 26-4114- 18

LAK/aw
26-3186

NEW ORLEANS,
February 8,
1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR S.A.C. WHITLEY:

Re: CLYDE CHAMPION BARROW, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1811; et al;
NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT.

Confirming the telephonic conversation had with Mr. Magee on the morning of February 3, 1934, J. Noble White, U. S. Probation Officer, Monroe, advised that he had under his supervision one CURTIS DEAN, who has a brother, WIRT DEAN, address, Benton Street, Monroe; that he, White, had befriended the family and that Wirt had given him some information as to Clyde Champion Barrow.

I interviewed Wirt Dean, a young man, and also of the criminal element, who advised that on January 24, 1934, he was at Kilgore, Texas, and there met one, Johnny Frazier, recently paroled from one of the Federal prisons, and that Frazier was living in a flop house on the same street as the City Hall, about two blocks up, going toward the railroad track. It is operated by an old woman, who protects the criminals in East Texas. Frazier propositioned Dean on robbing a bank and when he found the latter agreeable, took him to a two story log cabin, located as follows:

Proceed on the highway from Kilgore toward Henderson, Texas, and about seven miles out, the highway crosses a lake. Just before reaching the lake, turn to the right, no road just a path, and proceed about three miles. Half way between the cabin and the highway, a large tree has been hollowed out at the top and a man with a Tommy maintains surveillance of the neighboring country.

At the camp, or cabin, Dean says he met the following, some of whom he already knew:

Subject Barrow, using the name of Bob White; Guy Salley, "Shorty" Lofton, his brother, "Blackie" Lofton, and one McWilliams. All of these are bank robbers. In addition, he met a woman whom he identified as Bonnie Parker. He stated the men had their arsenal cached under the floor of the cabin.

It was agreed that Dean should return to the camp, reaching there through contact with Frazier at the flop house, on February 15, 1934, shortly after which the gang intended to rob a bank at Houston, Texas. Dean states he expects to return there and, if possible, just before the start is made for Houston, he will telegraph a message to his brother in Monroe who in turn will advise Mr. White. The latter, of course, will notify the Division Office at once.

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Frankly, while this informant tells a convincing story, filled with considerable detail, I am somewhat skeptical but feel that we can overlook no chances. Thus my call to the office. I do not believe, assuming Dean is telling the truth, to wait until the 18th, would be wise as the plans may change. It might be well, in the meantime, for the Dallas Office to check the matter and establish whether there is such a place as described.

L. A. Kindell,
Special Agent.

U. S. Department of Justice
Division
Bureau of Investigation

320 1/2 Post Office Building,

New Orleans, Louisiana.

February 5, 1934.

RW:aw
26-3186

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Building,
Dallas, Texas.

Re: CLYDE CHAMPION BARROW,
with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I. O. #1211; et al;
NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE
THEFT ACT.

Dear Sir:

With further reference to letter from this
office dated February 3, 1934, relative to the above
captioned matter, there is transmitted herewith memo-
randum of Special Agent L. A. Kindell, dated New Orleans,
Louisiana, 2-5-34, which sets forth further details re-
garding the alleged hide-out of subject Barrow and his
companions.

Very truly yours,



R. Whitley,
Special Agent in Charge.

cc-Division
Enc.

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JOHNSON COUNTY COURTHOUSE

CLEBURNE, TEXAS

February 7th 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,
Bureau of Investigation,
Department of Justice,
420 Federal Bldg.
Dallas, Texas.

Dear Mr McCormick:-

Complying with our telephone communication a few minutes ago with reference to Clyde Barrow and Mr. Hamilton, beg to advise that one of my confidential investigators has just reported to me that.

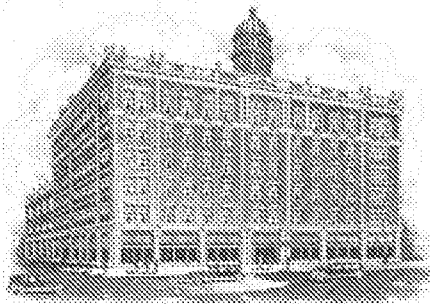
" Tuesday night Feb. 6th about mid-night, Mr Barrow and Mr Hamilton were in Cleburne, Texas, they took lunch at Skerres Market on East Henderson St. Hamilton was in a new V8 Ford Sedan by him-self, Barrow was in a 31 or 32 Chev. Sedan two boys about 17 or 18 years of age were with Barrow, Hamilton and Barrow kept talking about themselves, when they left the restaurant Hamilton stopped and stuck his head in the door and remarked " if any of these damned cops want to know anything about me they can find me in Meredian, they then asked the restaurant operator if he always stayed open at night that they operated through here and Meredian more then any other place, this same gang came through here Monday night and called the jail for the officers to come to the Liberty Hotel, when the officers arrived there the callers were gone they were trying to decoy the officers from the jail. All of the gang were heavily armed, the restaurant operator identified Hamiltons picture"

If your operator will come by here at his convenience I will be glad to give him the lay of the land.

Respectfully yours

T. E. Darcy
T. E. Darcy, County Judge,
Cleburne, Texas.





CAPITAL SERVICE

 CAPITOL HOTEL
 401 & PIERCE STS.
 AMARILLO, TEXAS

February 7, 1934.

Enc:

Tell Charlie that Hilton Rybee, who escaped with Raymond Hamilton, and arrested here was returned to the penitentiary. Clark Cain tells me that he closely interrogated Rybee but could get nothing out of him. Rybee claims that if Clyde Barrow was at the farm he did not know it. According to Rybee, he heard a lot of shooting while he and other prisoners were down on the creek, and managed to get away by running down through the brush where he remained for three days, that after soaking his white uniform in the red mud and drying it, he then started hitch hiking to Terrell, Okla., where he stole a car, the one which he picked a girl up in at Venita, Okla. At the time of his arrest Rybee had about two hundred dollars on his person, which he told the lady friend that he got out of a bank job with three others, the total amount being \$20000, of which he received a quarter share. However he denied this when questioned.

*Rem.
 Model
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He also had in the car a .45 cal. automatic pistol and sawed off automatic Remington shot gun, with stock also sawed off. He claims he purchased them at Shreveport for \$40. The pistol and shot gun probably were originally in possession of Clyde Barrow. The latter purchased a Remington shot gun thru informant at Dallas. Stock and Barrel was sawed off.

Chief Mo Dowell has the pistol and gun locked up. He is away with sheriff Adams attending the sheriff's convention at El Paso. *Use 2/6-4444-32*
 will get numbers of pistol and shot gun.



*30-30 Rifle
 73348
 Model 894
 Hamilton*

E. J. Dowd

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Mr. Starnes, Denver
2/5/34

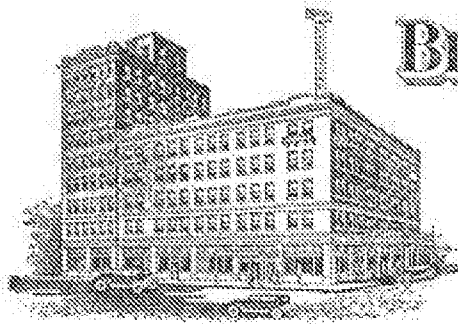
Memo;

2/6/34

Sheriff Walker, at Mr. Starnes, Denver, advised that one J. C. Cotner, who resides on the J. M. Mc. After Farm, on the Highway between Copeville and Nevada, Denver, informed him that Clyde Barrow has a hide-out near Thayer, Denver; that there is a filling station at the edge of the town of Thayer, behind which is a large pasture, and Clyde stays in a dog-out in this pasture; that Cotner says he will go up there with any officer and show the place to him.

C. B. W.

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TYLER, TEXAS.

Mac: 7/11/34

7/11/34

That fellow Mint Dean is
all wet about his description
of the country bet. Kilgore and
Henderson - There is a lake
about 4 or 5 miles N. of Henderson
but west of the Highway -

How about getting Herb Orleans
to get Dean to meet me at
the Police Sta in Kilgore at a certain
hour on Feb. 15th and let me
talk with him & advise what
you think of this -

Wps

CB

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| DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION |
| U. S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE |
| FEB 12 1934 |
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| <i>[Signature]</i> |

420 Post Office Building,
Dallas, Texas.

February 12, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice,
326 1/2 Post Office Bldg.,
New Orleans, La.

RE: Clyde Champion Barrow,
w.a. - FUGITIVE - I.O. #1211;
et al. H.M.V.T.A.

Dear Sir:-

Please refer to your letters dated February 3rd and
February 8th, 1934, concerning information furnished Special
Agent L.A. Kindell by SIRT DEAN of Monroe, La.

This information has been closely checked by Special
Agent C.B. Winstead of this office, and he informs me that Dean
apparently is wrong in describing the country between Kilgore
and Henderson, Texas. It is suggested that Dean might be per-
suaded to meet Special Agent Winstead at Kilgore on 2/15/34 and
there talk to him and perhaps go over the ground with him.

Your advice is requested concerning this plan. It may
be that your office does not have enough confidence in Dean, and
that - in view of his description of the country being wrong,
you might feel he is in error or fabricating the story. At any
rate, if Special Agent Kindell could again get in touch with Dean
and you believe him reliable, wire this office and arrangements
can be made for Dean to meet Agent Winstead at the police station
at Kilgore at any hour convenient to Dean, on 2/15/34.

Very truly yours,

D.L. McCormack, Acting
Special Agent in Charge.

ELM:LMF

cc Division 25
26-4114

Memorandum

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| 26-4114-26 |
| DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION U. S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE |
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Claburne, Texas

Feb 12, 1934

Letter dated

Feb 7, '34 signed, J. E. Baring, County
Judge, Claburne, Texas.

Judge Baring stated
the information contained in his
letter above was secured from
C. H. Roberts, ex Deputy Sheriff,
whom he states is a reliable
Citizen and absolutely trustworthy.
C. H. Roberts stated to the
writer, C. H. Roberts is Cafe owner
at 209 1/2 East Henderson Street
and that he was on the street on Feb 7th
stating the best examination of a
photograph of Clyde Barrow and
that the party who sat at his
Cafe that night resembles
Barrow and yet his description

E. H. Baker stated to the writer he has operated a cafe in Chetumun for the past three months, coming from Hobbs, N.M. That about 3 a.m. of the morning of Feb 7, '34, he was standing on the corner of the square in Chetumun, talking to some of the night officers, when a V 8 Ford Sedan drove down the street turned the corner two blocks away, turned onto E. Henderson street and parked parallel with the curb in front of his cafe. That he saw it move back, the car and enter the cafe, the immediately looked to the cafe and found this individual sitting at the counter. He stated to be sure he had a headache, been

Drawing all day and at night
 and ordered something to
 eat, he kept his hat pushed
 down over his eyes and had
 many things to say. That Baxter
 mentioned something about
 his V8 Ford, the man became
 nervous, moved out of his
 seat, walked around, looked
 behind a meat counter and
 out the window, as he returned
 to his seat, Baxter noticed
 the head of a submarine and
 ship hoist later and carried
 two six shooters, he was dressed
 in a dark suit with black
 hat with a rim a little larger
 than the ordinary worn,
 was about 25 or 26 years
 of age - 5 ft 8 inch tall
 weighing about 150 - 155 lbs

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square shoulders, dark hair
and eyes, fair complexion.
After paying his fare he
entered his car and after
waiting he left for home via
the Meridian City bus. About
45 or 25 minutes later.

Young man entered the cafe.
Two were about 18 years of
age, the other appeared to
be at least 25 years of age,
dressed in a dark suit
and a black hat identical
with that worn by the first
party who had preceded them.
These three parties appeared to
have been drinking. The other
of the two was very talkative
and the leader of the trio.
Baker soon left for home,
leaving his helper, Ray G. Geyer,

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in charge of the Cape. The following morning Fraquiere took him after he left the Cape he engaged the trio in conversation as to their lead to the criminal activities of certain individuals, they he Garrow's name being mentioned, whereupon the leader stated he was Ray Hamilton and bragged about his escape from prison with the aid of Garrow, and just before the trio left the Cape, he passed back to Fraquiere, "If any of these damn Cops want to know any thing about me they can find me in Vancouver." The three entered their car, a 1930 or 1931 Chevrolet sedan and proceeded at a high rate of speed on the Merrimack Highway.

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Mr. Barker stated he then looked up the officers and tried to find photographs of Hamilton and Barrow but that the officers did not possess a photo of Hamilton. Not since discussing the matter over he concluded the trio were school boys who had been drinking and out on a lark, but he believes the first party was Barrow. Barker did not recall the license number on either car, and stated he saw no one in the V 8 group.

Troy Trozier reiterated the above points as told by Barker in connection with the trio, stating he is of the opinion they were young persons

who had been on a spree and
endeavouring to leave a false
impression of their real
identity.

Mr Roberts stated
the reason he took the interest
in the matter he did was
that while he was gaoler
in Chabonne two years ago
Hamilton was a prisoner
and always bragging about
himself under the name
dropped by the individual
in the Capt was just such
a statement Hamilton would
make, further that Bagnall's
description of the individual
resembled that of Hamilton.

Mr Roberts stated the incident
which occurred at the Liberty
Hotel had no connection

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regard this matter, that
there is a party being held
in the County Jail awaiting
trial and it is believed some
of his associates may attempt
to get the officers to the hotel
on a fake telephone call
in order that they could
carry out a jail delivery.

J. B. Quinn

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CLYDE CHAMPION BARROW FUGITIVE NMVTA RELATIVE MY LETTER FIFTH
INSTANTS WIRT DEAN LEAVING MONROE LOUISIANA FOR KILGORE TEXAS
TONIGHT MAY BE CONTACTED KILGORE RESIDENCE E G SOLLEY=

WHITLEY.

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
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Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

DALLAS TEXAS FEBRUARY 13 1934

C B WINSTEAD
c/o BLACKSTONE HOTEL
TYLER TEXAS

WINT DEAN LEAVING MORRIS FOR KILGORE TONIGHT CONTACT HIM

RESIDENCE E G SOLLEY KILGORE

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U. S. Department of Justice

Bureau of Investigation

326 1/2 Post Office Building,
New Orleans, Louisiana.

February 14, 1934.

HW:aw
26-3186

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Building,
Dallas, Texas.

Re: CLYDE CHAMPION BARROW, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1211; et al;
NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter dated February 12, 1934, relative to information furnished Special Agent L. A. Kindell of this office by Wirt Dean at Monroe, Louisiana.

On February 13, 1934, prior to receipt of your letter you were advised by telegram from this office that Wirt Dean was proceeding to Kilgore, Texas, and could be contacted there for such further information and assistance as he might be able to furnish in connection with this investigation.

Agent Kindell advises that Wirt Dean's brother is at present on probation, in connection with a Federal conviction in the Western District of Louisiana, and is under the supervision of J. Noble White, Federal Probation Officer, at Monroe, Louisiana; that Mr. White has befriended Wirt Dean's brother and family in connection with his supervision of the brother, and that Wirt Dean possibly, for this reason, was inclined to volunteer the information regarding Barrow and his associates to Mr. White. Agent Kindell further states that Wirt Dean went to Probation Officer White's home in Monroe, Louisiana, about 10:30 p. m. one night and voluntarily advised him in substance as set out in Agent Kindell's memorandum previously furnished to you. Dean was subsequently further questioned by Agent Kindell relative to the information furnished, and the Agent advises that although Dean is a known criminal character, he appeared to be entirely frank and sincere in the information furnished and apparently had no motive for furnishing same other than a possible desire to repay Mr. White for his kindness to Wirt Dean's brother and family. It is possible that Wirt is also interested in rewards which might be paid for Barrow's apprehension.

Agent Kindell states that he questioned Dean very carefully and found him to be consistent and logical in his story, and that the manner in which he furnished intimate details, such as descriptions, etc., was rather convincing, and the Agent is inclined to believe that there might be some basis of fact to the information furnished by Dean.

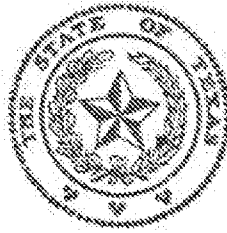
Very truly yours,

R. Whitley
R. Whitley,
Special Agent in Charge.

cc-Division

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FEB 15 1934

DALLAS OFFICE



State Juvenile Training School

EARL K. REEDER, SUPERINTENDENT
HOWE WOODLIAM, ASST. SUPERINTENDENT
Gatesville, Texas

February 14th, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Building,
Dallas, Texas.

Dear Sir:-

Dale Beaty #9376 was finally discharged from this institution on yesterday and returned to Dallas. His father is E. T. Beaty, Station A, Route #8, Box #74, Dallas, Texas.

Dale is well acquainted with Clyde Barrow and Roy Hamilton and was suspected of being with Barrow the night Officer Davis was shot.

The object of this letter is to advise you of Beaty's release, thinking that he might try to get in touch with them. Anyway you may take this information for whatever it may be worth.

Yours very truly,

Howe Woodliam
Asst-Superintendent

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| DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION | |
| U. S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE | |
| FEB 16 1934 | |
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UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Dallas**

K.C.

FILE NO. **26-4397**

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| REPORT MADE AT Kansas City, Mo. | DATE WHEN MADE 2-14-34 | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 1-26-34 | REPORT MADE BY B. C. Buren lg |
| TITLE Clyde Champion Barrow, with aliases-FUGITIVE I.O. #1211; et al | | | CHARACTER OF CASE NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT |
| SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <div style="text-align: center; padding: 10px;"> <p>Ford Coupe, motor #40-308520 stolen from T. P. Shanahan at Baxter Springs, Kansas on December 3, 1933 recovered at Gilmore, Texas, date unknown.</p> <p style="margin-top: 20px;">P.</p> </div> | | | |
| REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent H. E. Hallis, Oklahoma City, Okla. dated 12-12-33. | | | |
| DETAILS: Deputy Sheriff Farlow, Independence, Kansas advised that the car which was stolen from T. P. Shanahan at Baxter Springs, Kansas was sold to Mr. Shanahan by the Bartenshaw-Golburn Motor Co., Independence, Kansas. At this Motor Company it was ascertained the motor number of the car was 40-308520 and sold to T. P. Shanahan, 1017 W. Laurel St., Independence, Kansas. | | | |
| It was further learned that the car had been reported recovered and the insurance was handled by the Western Adjustment and Inspection Company, 1001 1/2 Broadway, Parsons, Kansas. | | | |
| DETAILS: Mr. Paul Gordon, Western Adjustment and Inspection Company, Parsons, Kansas advised that the instant car was recovered at Gilmore, Texas by Sheriff or Constable J. P. Beakley. The company received this information under date of January 10, 1934 but the exact date of the recovery was not known. According to the report to the adjustment company Mr. Beakley advised he chased the car and caused a man identified by him as Clyde Barrow to abandon the same. | | | |
| Mr. Shanahan was out of the City and was not available for interview but from his statement made to the adjustment company it was learned that on | | | |
| DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES | | | |
| APPROVED AND FORWARDED: | SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE | RECORDED AND INDEXED | |
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December 8, 1933 at 11:40 A. M. (not P. M. as previously reported) Mr. Shanahan parked the car near the Barnsdall Filling Station at Dexter Springs, Kansas and started for the station when he saw a man he later identified as Clyde Barrow get in the car and drive it off; that he, Shanahan, attempted to stop the thief but was unsuccessful and was afraid he would be killed by Barrow.

Mr. Gordon advised the car was being returned to Mr. Shanahan.

UNDEVELOPED LEAD: At Gilmer, Texas. Will interview Sheriff or Constable J. F. Mackley to learn the circumstances of the recovery of the instant car and to ascertain if another car was stolen at the time, which car might now be in possession of Barrow.

PENDING

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Suite 1
Federal Building
Kansas City, Missouri.
May 12, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Building,
Dallas, Texas.

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| DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION U. S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE | |
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Dear Sir:

RE: CLYDE CHAMPION BARROW, with aliases,
I.O 1211 - FUGITIVE, ET AL
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

On May 7, 1934, one William Endicott appeared at the Kansas City Division office advising that he was in a position to locate Clyde Barrow for this Division.

Endicott advised that he was presently residing at 1831 North 12th Street, Kansas City, Kansas; is a married man with three children and is presently engaged selling watches of various makes on the road, not working for any particular individual, but merely selling these watches in his own behalf in a legitimate business. He advised that he had formerly been employed by the Southwest Jewelry Company of 910 Wyandotte, Kansas City, Missouri, but had a disagreement with the proprietor thereof, as he believed the proprietor was endeavoring to "hold out" on him, keeping more than his share of the business brought in by Endicott. Endicott also stated he was an engraver by trade, and stated that about a month ago, while in Houston, Texas, at the restaurant under the Hotel Auditorium, he had met an individual under the name of Jack Barrow, who he identified as Clyde Barrow from a photograph exhibited to him at this office of the latter. He advised that he also saw a woman with Barrow, who he identified as being Bonnie Parker from a photograph exhibited to him of this woman, stating that Barrow merely referred to her as "Honey."

Endicott stated that Barrow wanted him to engrave some whiskey labels in his behalf, but Endicott could not do this. He stated that his entire conversation with Barrow did not last over a half hour, during which time Barrow asked him if he wanted to make some easy money by holding up some places, and Endicott refused saying he had a wife and family.

When asked how he expected to make contact with Barrow he advised that he would contact one Steve Stewart, who was in the "hot" car racket at Houston, and through Stewart would again meet Barrow and endeavor to work with him, notifying this Division, when the opportunity


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presented itself, of Barrow's whereabouts.

From interview with Endicott, it is believed doubtful that he could locate and effect the apprehension of Clyde Barrow, however, the information obtained is being transmitted to you for whatever action you desire to take.

A copy of this letter is being furnished the San Antonio Office in the event investigation at Houston, Texas, is desired pursuant to the information set out hereinabove.

Very truly yours,

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E. E. CLEGG
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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cc-San Antonio
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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

May 10, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Building,
Dallas, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Re: Clyde Champion Barrow, with aliases,
Identification Order 1211, Fugitive, et al;
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

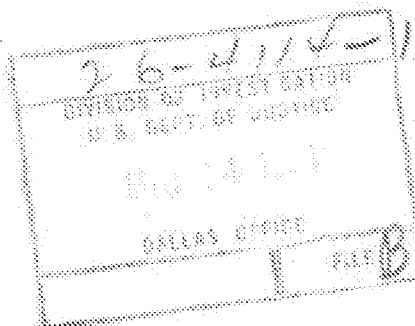
Information having been received that the photograph appearing on Identification Order 1211 is not a good likeness of Subject Barrow, there are being forwarded to you, herewith, copies of a photograph which appears to be the best likeness, together with copies of the photograph of Bonnie Parker, for the assistance of your office in conducting investigation in the above case which may arise in your district.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

Director.

Enclosure. 685934



420 Federal Building,
Dallas, Texas.

May 14, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice,
Suite L, Federal Building,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Re: CLYDE CHAMPION BARROW, w.a.,
FUGITIVE, I.O. #1211; et al.
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of May 12, 1934,
concerning one William Endicott, I seriously doubt
that Endicott could contact Clyde Barrow.

Very truly yours,

F.J. BLAKE,
Special Agent in Charge.

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RE: 26-3186

326 1/2 Post Office Building,
New Orleans, Louisiana.
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Director,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Re: Clyde Champion Barrow, with aliases-
Fugitive, I. O. #1211; et al;
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to my letters dated April 24, and April 30, 1934, which were addressed to the Division relative to the above entitled case.

There is being quoted below, for the information of interested offices, memorandum of Special Agent L. A. Kindell, of this office, dated May 12, 1934, at Monroe, Louisiana:

"Reporting the latest developments in the Barrow case, last night at midnight I received a telephone call from Henderson Jordan, Sheriff at Arcadia, Louisiana, and proceeding there conferred with him, Frank Hauer, previously referred to, Bob Elkhorn, Deputy Sheriff, Dallas, Texas, and the Methvin family, to wit, I. T. Methvin and his two sons, Cecil and Terrell.

On the night of May 8, 1934, at about 11 p. m., Clyde Barrow, Bonnie Parker, and Henry Methvin, were at I. T. and Terrell's homes, remaining about four hours. In fact, Clyde and Bonnie went to sleep in the house and slept until 3 a. m., having in their immediate possession only two pistols, leaving the rifles in the car which was parked at Terrell's home where they slept. Clyde remarked that it was the first time in eight months that he had slept in a bed.

They are driving a black V-8 Ford Sedan.

Various explanations were made as to why the officers were not advised, some of which are satisfactory to my mind.

I. T. Methvin talked to Henry and the latter stated he wanted to come home and stay for two or three days but was afraid to come in the present location as he feared suspicion has been aroused. It was agreed between the two that old man Methvin should move. The trio are expected to return within a few days, will go to Terrell's home who in turn will take Henry, or the entire party, to I. T.'s new location, probably at another point in Bienville Parish.

While Henry was at home, Terrell spoke to him concerning the slowness

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"offered by the State of Texas, and naturally Henry was suspicious. He stated that he wanted more than anything in the world to get away from Barrow and agreed, when he next comes in, to meet Sheriff Jordan who will explain that the offer is bona fide and that if extradition of Methvin is demanded by other states for crimes, he will go to Governor Allen of Louisiana and explain the facts. Of course, I took no part in this matter as there is no doubt but what Methvin was implicated in the killing of the Constable at Commerce, Oklahoma.

Now here is the present plan:

Immediately upon being advised by I. T. Methvin that Henry is at home, Sheriff Jordan will wire Hamer, who will be at either Shreveport or Monroe, (as he does not intend to return to Texas feeling that the case has reached a critical point) and also will communicate with me. I will keep him advised as to my whereabouts but in any event he will communicate with the Division Office if he cannot contact me at once. We will proceed to the location. Jordan in the meantime will talk to Henry Methvin and will ascertain when and where Barrow will pick him up. We expect to be waiting when Barrow appears. As you can see, we will have to work fast as Clyde may not remain away long before he returns to pick up Methvin. We will take up the watch and expect a climax.

It is essential that I remain in this general vicinity for the next two weeks when we hope to have the job completed. Monroe is really a better point than Shreveport as the officers in the latter city are inclined to be more inquisitive. I am referring to the Sheriff's Office which put out the publicity on the previous occasion.

I. T. Methvin claimed that Terrell had not told him of his conversation with Henry, mentioned above.

It is the opinion of the officers that the Methvins are sincere. I am inclined to this belief as it would not have been necessary for them to have advised that Barrow and Parker were at the place for four hours. They were not questioned directly by me concerning their failure to report at the time for the reason that it is felt not advisable to antagonize them. Terrell was fearing for his wife and children who were in the house. These people, too, while cunning, lack initiative. We will give them every chance to do their part.

It is noteworthy that Barrow appears to have implicit confidence in the Methvins as shown by the fact that he slept at their home without fear."

While at Lake Charles, Louisiana, last week I personally discussed this matter with Sheriff Henderson Jordan of Arcadia, Louisiana. He appears to be an intelligent and efficient officer.

Special Agents H. E. McKee and J. V. Blake have been working in the vicinity of Jackson and Vicksburg, Mississippi, and can get to Monroe in a few hours in case of emergency.

It will be noted from the information set forth above, and in previous communications regarding this same matter, that the whole plan is necessarily rather indefinite due to the fact that Harrow never lets anyone know definitely what his plans might be, and the Mathvins can never be sure when and how he will arrive or how long he will remain. It appears that any definite plans concerning the details of the raid will have to be worked out on the spur of the moment and after information has been received from the Mathvins regarding Harrow's arrival in the vicinity of their homes in Bienville Parish.

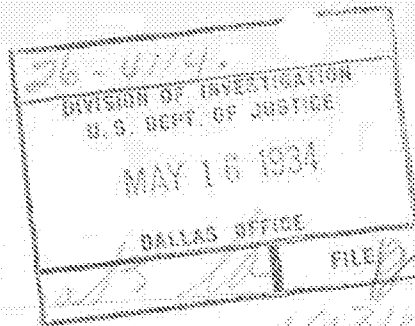
Due to the inaccessibility of the section in which the Mathvins live, and the necessity for the utmost secrecy in this matter, it appears that the success of the plan will have to depend upon a small group of officers working quietly and quickly.

The Division will be promptly advised concerning further developments.

Very truly yours,

R. Whitley,
Special Agent in Charge.

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420 Post Office Building,
Dallas, Texas.

May 18, 1934.

Captain Fred Hickman,
Wichita Falls, Texas.

Dear Sir:-

I am advised that Judge E.W. Napier of Wichita Falls, Texas was told by another Wichita Falls lawyer a few days ago, that the latter had a client who claims to have met CLYDE BARROW a few days ago.

I suggest that you confer with Judge Napier and secure such information as he may have concerning this matter.

Very truly yours,

F.J. Blake,
Special Agent in Charge.

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May 18th, 1934

Mr. F. J. Blake, Special Agent in Charge
Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Dallas, Texas

Re: Bailey Tynes

Dear Mr. Blake:

On Wednesday evening, April 25th, Tynes reached Palestine on the Bee Bus Line from Waco and was riding a pass. In conversation with the bus driver, who knows him slightly, he created the impression that he was an officer working as an under-cover man. On Thursday morning, April 26th, he showed up at the County Jail and met John England, Chief Deputy, and showed him some papers among which England informs me was a letter from Mr. Phares saying that he was making some investigations for the Highway patrol and asking that he be extended any courtesies desired. Tynes asked England if he was going toward Grapeland any time that day and intimated that he would like to go with him. About three o'clock that afternoon England drove him to the outskirts of Grapeland and let him out, and then returned home to Palestine. Tynes stated that he was getting \$160.00 a month for his work.

Tynes seemed to be talkative to England, and without saying so he left England under the impression that he was working on the Barrow case and wanted to contact a man by the name of Walker whom he stated lived at Grapeland, and who was a relative of Barrow. He also had some papers that referred to some land in Montgomery County.

On Friday evening, April 27th, Tynes showed up at John Wyrick's Filling Station and spent the night with Wyrick and his son. During his visit with Wyrick he stated that a few nights before he came to Palestine he had spent the night with Clyde Barrow's people in Dallas, and that while he was there, Clyde and Bonnie drove up; Bonnie asked him (Tynes) if he would drive her out to see her mother. Tynes stated that someone else at the filling station offered to take Bonnie where she wanted to go, consequently Tynes did not drive her. He further stated to Wyrick and his son that Clyde stayed at his father's only a few hours and then left.

While here, Tynes talked to Jack Wyrick, the son who is about 16 or 17 years old, about Marie Barrow, Clyde's young sister, and suggested that he correspond with her, which

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F. J. B. Jr

Dallas, Texas

Re. Bailey Tynes

the boy did and for your information I inclose two of the letters written by Marie to Jack Wyrick. This boy will continue to carry on this correspondence.

Tynes also showed Wyrick & Jack some papers relative to a ~~xxx~~ prospective law suit on some 2300 acres of land in Montgomery County. He stated that he was getting the signatures of the ones interested in this land. The papers on same had been drawn up by a firm of attorneys in Waco by the name of Smith, Guthrie, and Cox, but at a prior date a law firm by the name of Hamilton and Spievy had been handling the matter. From a conversation with Wyrick it seems that Clyde Barrow's mother is interested in this land also, but the Barrows want some Dallas attorneys to handle the matter (whose name I could not get) and have refused to sign.

About four months ago Tynes was through here and spent the night with John Wyrick and showed him the first papers that had been drawn up on this land.

On Saturday morning, April 28th, Tynes caught the 8:00A.M. bus for Waco in front of Wyrick's filling station. He also showed Wyrick and Jack the pass on which he was traveling.

I base my dates using Friday April 27th as the main date, that being the time I remember Charlie Winsted passed through Palestine, but I am correct as to the date of Tynes' showing up at Wyrick's and his departure from Palestine, as I confirmed this by the bus driver with whom he rode both coming and going.

As it is told me, Mrs. Barrow was the daughter of W.E. Walker who had one brother, W. E. Walker, who sometimes signed his initials as "E.W." but the correct initials are "W.E." W.E. had a daughter by the name of Alice, and she married a man by the name of W. B. Keithley who is now dead. Mrs. Keithley had two sisters, one named Sophronie who married Bailey Tynes' father; after his death she remarried to a man named Whatley whose whereabouts are unknown. Mrs. Whatley is now living in So. Waco. The other sister, Iva, married a man by the name of Lee Roberts. She lives in North Waco. There was one son, Joe Walker, who is supposed to live in the vicinity of Conroe unless he is the Grapeland Walker. This makes Mrs. Keithley Mrs. Barrow's first cousin, and makes Bailey Tynes and Clyde Barrow second cousins. This makes Jack Wyrick a third cousin of Clyde Barrow. I was also told that there was another Walker who had a filling station in Conroe, and from the above he evidently is a Walker on the Barrow side.

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Dallas, Texas

Wyrick has been separated from his wife some seven years. The boy Jack, who seems to be very bright, spends most of his time with his mother in Waco, and seems to be very familiar with that side of the Walker family. He is going to Waco to visit his mother tomorrow and will obtain information concerning the other side of the Walker family to whom the Barrow's are connected.

I hope that this information may prove of some value to you.

Yours truly,



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| TITLE: <u>CLYDE CHAMPION BARROW, v.s. - FUGITIVE I.O. 1211</u> | | | CHARACTER OF CASE: <u>NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT</u> |

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Chief of Police Kilday, San Antonio, advised by informant that subject Clyde Champion Barrow and other unknown party seen on South Loop Road below San Antonio driving an Auburn Sedan or an Oldsmobile Sedan, bearing Oklahoma license #278934. Local officers of San Antonio and vicinity aided by airplane from Winburn Field located two men with above described car about ten miles south of San Antonio near Loring, Texas, who upon being brought to the Police Identification Bureau were fingerprinted but no record was found on either of these men. Names of two men apprehended were Robert M. Amick and Paul M. Amick, brothers, oil well drillers in oil fields about fifteen miles south of San Antonio, P.

Reference: Telegram to Director from San Antonio office dated May 16, 1934.

DETAILS:

On the morning of May 16, 1934, Tommy Anderson, a city salesman at San Antonio, reported to Chief of Police Owen Kilday that he had seen two men in either an Auburn or a Oldsmobile Sedan, bearing Oklahoma license #278934, near the Mission Burial Park located on the South Loop Road about six miles south of San Antonio and positively identified one of the occupants of said car as being subject Barrow.

Chief Kilday immediately caused a broadcast to be put on the air by the San Antonio Police Broadcasting Station for all Police cars, Constables and Sheriffs' offices at San Antonio and in counties surrounding San Antonio to be on lookout for these men. Chief Kilday immediately proceeded to the vicinity in which these men were reported to have been seen and dispatched his riot car with the riot squad to

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the vicinity where these men had been seen. About twenty minutes after the first broadcast was made Jack Rice, City Detective, one of the members of the riot squad, reported that the above described car containing these two men had passed the riot car at the Mission Burial Park driving south on the South Loop Road at a terrific speed and an effort had been made to overtake them, but that they had escaped. Again a broadcast announcement was made to all peace officers in San Antonio and vicinity and to Military Police at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, and the search started in earnest.

The first radio announcement was about 9:15 A.M. and continuous reports began to come into the Police Station from parties seeing this car on country roads south of San Antonio. At 11:50 A.M. the radio report stated that these men had been seen at Thelma, Texas, a small town on what is known as the Pleasanton Road, and that they had left the highway and gone towards Elmendorf. Again the request was made for all Constables to keep a sharp lookout for these men, one of which had been identified as Barrow, and who were heavily armed, and that any information received from officers or citizens should be immediately given to the Police Department and same would be furnished the officers in the field as to the whereabouts of these men when last seen.

L. G. Phares, Chief of the State Highway Patrol, communicated with this office at noon from Austin, Texas, stating that he was sending an airplane and to advise all officers in this manhunt to place a white cloth on the tops of their cars as this airplane would be used as a scout plane and that if these two men were located that the plane would drop notes giving the location of where they were seen.

SAC Jones and this Agent kept in constant contact with the officers and assisted in the manhunt. Information was broadcast every fifteen minutes from the San Antonio Police Radio Station to all officers on this search and in southwest Texas.

Arrangements were made for a plane at Winburn Field, San Antonio, before the arrival of the State Highway plane, and the plane from Winburn Field about 2:10 or 2:15 P.M. reported that the two men with this car had been located in the third lane north of Loring, Texas, which town is located on the Pleasanton Road and is about ten miles south of San Antonio. The plane circled low and these two men were standing near their car and the pilot saw them re-enter the car and leave in a westerly direction towards the Pleasanton Highway. This information was immediately furnished officers in that vicinity, officers having been distributed at various points from Elmendorf to Pleasanton, Texas. The four men in the City riot car were the ones who received the note from the Winburn Field pilot and they proceeded immediately to the spot where these men had been seen and where they were taken into custody by the four city officers in the city riot car. The car was searched but no guns were found. It developed that same

was an Oldsmobile Coach, 1929 model, bearing Oklahoma license #278934. Immediately upon the apprehension of these two men it was determined that neither of them was Barrow. They were brought to the San Antonio Police Identification Bureau where they gave their names as Robert M. Amick and Paul M. Amick, brothers. They were both dressed in overalls which plainly showed that they were both oil field workers. There was no record found in the San Antonio Identification Bureau on either of these men. They from the first stated that they had resided in San Antonio for sometime and Paul M. Amick stated that he was residing with W. W. Thompson, a City Policeman at San Antonio, and had been residing there since September; that they had drilled an oil well at Willow Springs about five miles east of San Antonio and at the present time were drilling a water well near Thelma, Texas, at a distance of about fifteen miles south of San Antonio and that the day before a collar and a bit had burned out on their drill and that they had gone to various oil derricks in the vicinity of Thelma, South San Antonio, and Southton, Texas, in an effort to locate a collar and bit with which to continue their work.

With Captain Hopkins of the Police Department Agent interviewed Paul M. Amick, who made the following signed statement:

San Antonio, Texas,
May 15, 1934.

"My name is Paul M. Amick. I am 28 years of age. I was born in Tyro, Kansas, near Coffeyville, Kansas. I moved to San Antonio in year 1919 with Newton L. Amick. He and my mother are now deceased. My father was killed at Gas Ridge from a derrick at an oil well.

"I left San Antonio in the year 1925 and went to Rawlins, Wyo. where I lived until 1930. I worked for the Producers Refinery Oil Company at Pecos, Wyo. I left their employ about March, 1930. I came to Fort Worth, Texas, and lived there until October, 1933, working for Double Seal Ring in a machine shop. I came to San Antonio, Texas, in October, 1933, and I first lived at 2747 East Houston St., San Antonio, for about two months with a family by the name of Bowman, then moved to 1310 Nolan St., San Antonio, Texas, where I lived with a family by the name of W. W. Thompson, a City Policeman. I have worked as an oil driller, drilling what is known as Willow Springs No. 1 near the Salado Creek, San Antonio, Tex. The boy who is with me is Robert M. Amick, my brother, age 22. He has been in Tenino, Wash. near Portland. He came to Fort Worth, Texas, in September, then he came to San Antonio, Texas, and I joined him here. He worked with me here and lived with me until he married in

April, 1934. He married Miss Kathryn Henderson and they have been living on Pacific Avenue, Harlandale, which is a part of the City of San Antonio, Texas.

"The Oldsmobile Coach, model 1929, bearing Oklahoma license, that we had today belongs to me. I purchased the car from O. E. Smith, Essex-Hudson Dealer at Fort Worth, Texas, about 14 months ago. I borrowed money from the Hilson Finance Company at San Antonio, Texas, and paid Smith in full for the car and I owe them now about \$50.00. My uncle John W. Johnson, 703 W. French registered this car in Oklahoma City for me as we intended going to Oklahoma to work in the oil fields, but we got tied up on the well at Willow Springs and haven't been able to get off to Oklahoma. We are now working on another water well near South San Antonio, Texas.

"About 6:30 A.M. today I left Mr. Thompson's where my wife and I are living and went to Harlandale to pick up my brother to go to the well at South San Antonio, Texas, and he was not ready to go and I went on to the well and came back to his house about 8 o'clock this morning and he and I drove into the City of San Antonio, Texas, along the South Loop into South Press Street and then to Hoefgen Avenue and then to Petroleum Machine & Supply Company to get this collar and bit and he told me it was at the Bryant & Scott well off of the Pleasanton Road and we then drove back out there about 12 miles from San Antonio, the other side of Thelma, Texas, and we were unable to get this collar and bit and we then left about 11 o'clock and went to another well to try and locate Mr. Bryant and he was not at the other well and we then returned to the first well and left there about 2 o'clock and started back to Hoefgen Avenue to see Mr. Claude Ussey who had given us the order for the collar and bit but we were stopped by officers about seven miles out on the Pleasanton Road.

"I am making this statement freely to Captain Hopkins of the San Antonio Detective Department and C. R. Davis, Special Agent of the Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, without threats or promises of any kind and after being warned a statement would be used against me in the event prosecution was had in reference to this investigation and same is true.

(Signed) Paul H. Amick."

At the time that Paul M. Amick was being interviewed his brother, Robert M. Amick, was interviewed by A. M. Davenport and other City Detectives, and he made the following statement:

San Antonio, Tex.

Taken May 16, 1934, at 3:25 P.M.
by A. M. Davenport.

"My name is Robert M. Amick and I have been residing at different places in this City, County of Bexar. The last place that I have lived and now reside is at 130 Pacific Ave., San Antonio, Texas, County of Bexar. I have been in this city since September, 1933. Prior to this date I was a resident in San Antonio, Texas, for about six years.

"Paul M. Amick, the boy whom I was arrested with is my brother and we are in business for ourselves, drilling wells.

"Previous to going into business for ourselves, my brother and I worked for a Mr. J. W. Johnson, who has some work at the Exposition Grounds east of San Antonio. My brother bought an Oldsmobile Coach in Fort Worth, Texas, about one and one half years ago. Mr. J. W. Johnson bought the Oklahoma license on this car for the year 1934.

"On the morning of the sixteenth of May, 1934, my brother came to my house to get me and both of us went to work. This was about 9 A.M. We went out the old Corpus Christi Road about 10 or 12 miles to a well that was being drilled, to get a drill collar. We were not able to get one here without first getting an order from the Petroleum Machine & Supply Company, so we came back to San Antonio for the order. We got the order and went back on the Corpus Christi Road after the drill collar. On the way back we passed the well we were drilling which is on, or rather off, the Somerset Road and got a rope. We then cut across country to the well that we were to get the drill collar from. We were not able to get the drill collar because the man we were to get the drill from said that he was going to use it. We drove over the hills looking for a Mr. Bryant whom we thought we would be able to borrow the drill from. After we had found him, he informed me that they had to use it. We had been at the well and around looking for Mr. Bryant about one hour and one half or two hours.

"After we found out that we could not get the drill, we started back to San Antonio, Texas, to try to find one somewhere else. On our way back we were arrested and brought to San Antonio.

"This is all that I know about this day's happenings.

(Signed) R. M. Amick."

After this statement was secured from Robert M. Amick he was also closely questioned by this Agent and Captain Hopkins.

L. W. Franks of the Milan Finance Company located in the Milan Building, San Antonio, was contacted by this Agent and stated that his company had re-financed Paul R. Amick for an Oldsmobile Coach, 1933 model, motor #V179832, Oklahoma license 376-934; that the papers disclosed that same was purchased by Paul R. Amick from C. B. Smith, Essex-Hudson Dealer at Fort Worth, Texas.

Ray Rutledge, Shop Foreman of the Petroleum Machine & Supply Co. located on Hoefgen Ave., San Antonio, was contacted and stated that he had known both Amick brothers since last September; that they both were hard working young men and had drilled an oil well near Willow Springs which is located about five miles east of San Antonio, and were at the present time drilling a water well about fifteen miles south of San Antonio; that on the morning of May 16, 1934, these brothers had called at the Petroleum Machine & Supply Company and had endeavored to secure a collar and a bit for their drill, but the size they desired was not in stock and that they had given them an order to Bryant & Scott who were drilling an oil well about 12 or 14 miles south of San Antonio, west of the Pleasanton Road, and who were also drilling an oil well about six miles east of Thelma, Texas, which two wells were in an opposite direction from the Pleasanton Road and that he was positive that the Amick brothers had driven from well to well in the vicinity where it was broadcast they were seen only in an effort to locate a collar and a bit to continue their drilling on the water well.

Before the apprehension of these two men the daily papers in San Antonio had printed in big headlines that Barrow had escaped the Police trap and was being hotly pursued in the vicinity of Thelma and points south of San Antonio, Tex.

Description of Paul R. Amick obtained from personal observation and the San Antonio Police Department is as follows:

Age, 28 years
Height, 5 feet 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches

Weight, 171 pounds
Hair, dark chestnut, grey around both temples, claims birthmark
Eyes, blue
Complexion, ruddy
Nationality, American
Marital status, married
Native, Kansas
Local address, 130 Pacific Ave., Harlandale, San Antonio.
Build, well
Occupation, oil well driller

Description of Robert M. Amick obtained from personal observation and the San Antonio Police Department is as follows:

Age, 22 years
Height, 5 feet 10½ inches
Hair, dark chestnut
Eyes, brown
Build, slender
Complexion, medium ruddy
Nationality, American
Marital status, married
Occupation, oil well driller
Native, Kansas
Local address, 130 Pacific Ave., Harlandale, San Antonio.

This Agent was advised by Mr. Rhodes in charge of the San Antonio Police Identification Bureau that both these parties' fingerprints marked "San Antonio Extra" were forwarded to the Division of Identification & Information, Washington, D.C. on the afternoon of May 16, 1934.

SAC Jones on May 16, and 17, 1934, advised the Director by wire as to this matter.

Both of the Amick boys were released by the San Antonio Police Department.

Pending.

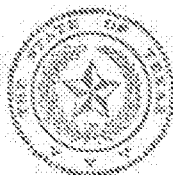
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IN YOUR REPLY PLEASE

REFER TO FILE NO.

DESK NO.

STATE HIGHWAY
DEPARTMENT
MOTOR PATROL DIVISION

Wichita Falls, TEXAS
May 21, 1934.

SUBJECT: CLYDE BARROW.

Mr. P. J. Blake,
Special Agent in Charge,
U. S. Department Of Justice,
420 Post Office Bldg.,
Dallas, Texas.

Dear Sir:

As per your instructions contained in your letter of May 18th. I talked to Judge E. W. Napier about the party contacting Clyde Barrow. Through Judge Napier I learned that the party named was Robert Russell or his brother Johnie Russell who is now in the Penitentiary. This information could be good and the Russell family would, in my opinion, harbor Clyde Barrow or any one of this character. I am of the opinion that the information may be of some help if we can work it out.

Sam Spence, District Attorney, here in Wichita Falls has helped this family on a number of occasions and was instrumental in securing a pardon for Robert Russell. As soon as Judge Spence returns to Wichita Falls I will endeavor to have him get the information that we want. Judge Spence is now making the race for Congress. I believe that Judge Spence is the only person around here that is capable of securing information from this family.

We have had considerable rumors of possibilities around this family but I had not thought much of it until I received your letter. I will advise you what I learn about this place.

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Yours very truly,

Fred Hickman
Fred Hickman, Inspector,
State Highway Patrol.

480 Post Office Building,
Dallas, Texas.

May 22, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice,
P.O. Box 1457,
St. Louis, Missouri.

RE: Clyde C. Barrow - FUGITIVE,
I.O. #1211; et al.
K.M.V.T.A.

Dear Sir:-

I have been requested by a Special Investigator
for the District Attorney's office of Dallas County, to
secure the names by counties of the Sheriffs for the
State of Illinois.

He tells me that a confidential informant has
advised him that Clyde Barrow has an uncle who is Sheriff
of some county in Illinois, and that his informant can -
from a list of counties of Illinois and list of Sheriffs
for those counties - determine the county of which this
uncle is Sheriff; and you are therefore requested to
furnish such list.

Very truly yours,

F.J. Blake,
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc Division
26-4114- 204

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

Dallas, Texas

FILE NO. 26-3779

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| REPORT MADE AT: Oklahoma City, Okla. | DATE WHEN MADE: 5-21-34 | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 5-3-34 | REPORT MADE BY: K. D. Denderick |
| TITLE: CLYDE CHAMPION BARROW with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. #1211; et al | | | CHARACTER OF CASE: National Motor Vehicle Theft Act |
| <p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: City Marshal Curry Ruff, Cement, Oklahoma, stated positively that Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker have visited in Cement many times and presumably stayed at home of Roy Borrell; that he will make every effort to place these persons on the spot there. Fred Hunt, Sheriff, Tishomingo, Oklahoma, familiar with and is observing Barrow's hideout near Atoka, Oklahoma. Letter written by an associate of Barrow, requesting Barrow's assistance to escape, intercepted by Sheriff at Chickasha, Oklahoma and furnished to this office.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P.</p> <p>DETAILS: In a memorandum submitted by Special Agent W. E. Miller of the Kansas City office, on April 8, 1934, as to the results of an interview with Luther Austin Smith, an inmate of the Leavenworth Penitentiary, it is indicated that Barrow has a hideout in the vicinity of Cement, Oklahoma.</p> <p>Agent interviewed Mr. Al Marlow, Undersheriff of Chickasha, Oklahoma, relative to what information, if any, he could furnish with regard to the alleged hideout at Cement, Oklahoma, and through Marlow, Agent contacted City Marshal Curry Ruff of Cement, Oklahoma. Al Marlow advised Agent that this man may be thoroughly relied upon for assistance in this case.</p> <p>Upon interviewing Curry Ruff, Agent exhibited to him a number of photographs of criminals, several of which were of Bonnie Parker and Clyde Barrow, and requested of him to state whether or not he knew any of these persons. He immediately identified the picture of Clyde Barrow as a man he knew and stated to Agent that this party had been in Cement a number of times and that he, Ruff, had talked with him several times on the street but had no idea that he was Clyde</p> | | | |
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| APPROVED AND FORWARDED: | Acting SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE | 26-4114-205 | RECORDED AND INDEXED: |
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Barrow; that he, Ruff, from time to time goes to the home of Roy Borrell at which times Borrell gives him a drink of whiskey, and that he and Borrell are on friendly terms; that it is a known fact that Borrell manufactures and sells whiskey, but that the officers do not bother him. Ruff stated this confidentially to Agent, and further stated to Agent that he will exert every effort to be of all assistance possible in the apprehension of Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker. Arrangements were perfected whereby Curry Ruff was supplied with a suitable number of photographs of Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker and whereby he could immediately contact the Oklahoma City Division office, the Agent in Charge, or the Acting Agent in Charge at any hour of the day or night.

City Marshal Curry Ruff further advised Agent that Roy Borrell lives about three quarters of a mile southwest of Cement, Oklahoma on U. S. Highway 277, the house being green, and is on the left hand side of the road as one travels from Cement going south and slightly west. This house was closely observed by Agent. Ruff further stated that Roy Borrell has one son, Lloyd Borrell, who lives at an unknown spot in the Kiamichi Mountains out from Lawton, Oklahoma.

Agent, while in Chickasha, Oklahoma in conversation with Al Marlow, was advised by Marlow that just a few days prior to Agent's visit, he apprehended Fred Hill, Oklahoma City Police Department #9486, and Jodie Davis, Oklahoma State Reformatory #8151 as Jodie Davis; that the latter appeared to be an associate of Clyde Barrow as he had, while in jail, written a letter addressed to "C. C. Barrow, 3221 Westmorland Road, Dallas, Texas. % Dad Barrow's Filling Station, West Dallas"; that this letter had been thrown out the window of the county jail to be mailed, but that Al Marlow, undersheriff, had found the letter. This letter was given to Agent and is now in the Oklahoma City Division office file. The letter stated briefly that this person was in the county jail at Chickasha, Oklahoma, and asked that Clyde Barrow come to his aid immediately. The letter is of no particular value at this time in view of the fact that it did not reach its destination, but indicates that this individual is a friend and, in all probability, an associate of Clyde Barrow. He would make no statements to Agent whatsoever and refused to discuss the matter relative to Barrow.

Agent at Lawton, Oklahoma, interviewed Deputy Sheriff Joe Bailey who advised that Lloyd Borrell is approximately twenty-two years of age; that he recently married Eula Welch; that Eula Welch a year or so ago shot and killed her husband and then tried to commit suicide by shooting herself; that she was tried on this matter and exonerated; that Lloyd Borrell and his wife, formerly Eula Welch, now reside five miles north, two west, three north, one west, one north, and a little over one-half mile west of Indianoma, Oklahoma. Joe Bailey stated that he is familiar with this part of the country and will make discreet investigation to ascertain whether or not Clyde Barrow visits Lloyd Borrell's place; that any information he secures will be immediately transmitted to the Oklahoma City Division office.

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At Tishomingo, Oklahoma, Agent interviewed Sheriff Fred Hunt who advised that he is familiar with a hideout for outlaws near Clear Boggy Creek, west of Atoka, Oklahoma; that he did not have positive information that Clyde Barrow frequented that spot, but did know that numerous outlaws go there from time to time; that he is in a position to secure information in the event Barrow makes his appearance there, and that he will lend every assistance possible to this Division.

P E N D I N G

L. V. HIGHTOWER

SHERIFF

LIBERTY COUNTY

LIBERTY, TEXAS

H. R. (BOB) MARTIN, CHIEF DEPUTY

Liberty Texas.
May 21st, 1934.

Mr. E. J. Blake,
Special Agent,
Dept. of Justice,
Dallas, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Would appreciate it very much if you could
send me a large photograph of Bonnie Parker and
Clyde Barrow. I dont have a clear photograph
of either of them.

Thanking you,

Yours truly,

L. V. HIGHTOWER, SHERIFF
LIBERTY COUNTY, TEXAS.

By H. R. Martin Deputy.

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E.P. FILE NO. **26-2376**

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| REPORT MADE AT: El Paso, Tex. | DATE WHEN MADE: 5-26-34 | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 5-26-34 | REPORT MADE BY: R.E. Colvin. |
| TITLE: CLYDE CHAMPION BARROW, w.s., FUGITIVE, I.O.#1211. | | | CHARACTER OF CASE: NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT. |
| SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <p style="text-align: center;">Subject having been killed and no leads outstanding in this district, the case is:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- RUC -</p> <p style="text-align: center;">REFERENCE: Division telegram, 5-23-34.</p> <p><u>DETAILS:</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Subject Clyde Champion Barrow having been killed and no outstanding leads in this district, case is:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">REFERRED UPON COMPLETION TO OFFICE OF ORIGIN.</p> | | | |
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26-4832

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| REPORT MADE AT: | DATE WHEN MADE: | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: | REPORT MADE BY: |
| San Antonio, Texas: | May 26, 1934 | May 26, 1934 | Gus T. Jones |
| TITLE: | | CHARACTER OF CASE: | |
| CLYDE CHAMPION BARROW, w.s. | | FUGITIVE I.O. #1211 | Nat'l Motor Vehicle Theft Act |

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Clyde Champion Barrow and Bonnie Parker killed by
officers near Arcadia, La., May 23, 1934. R.U.C.

DETAILS:

Clyde Champion Barrow and his consort Bonnie Parker were shot and killed by a posse of officers led by former Texas Ranger Captain Frank Hamer on May 23, 1934, near Arcadia, La.

Referred upon completion.

DETAILS:

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| APPROVED AND FORWARDED: | SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE | <p><i>26-4832-11</i></p> <p>BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION U. S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE</p> <p>RECORDED AND INDEXED</p> <p>CHECKED OFF:</p> <p>DATE:</p> <p>FILE</p> |
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